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Hart Center Pool finished; now on to Science Center addition

BY MARGARET MADIGAN

During the meeting last week regarding the final plans for the proposed expansion of the science and math facilities, it was the general consensus that a connecting building between Haberlin and O'Neil costing roughly \$7 million would work out well, despite an alternate proposal for a new, separate building that would stand between the library and O'Neil.

According to the Rev. Paul Harman, S.J., vice president of the College, the tentative plans consist of a connecting complex located between Haberlin and O'Neil which will house an expanded science library as well as other science related laboratories and lecture halls. The details of this new addition have not been finalized. The Rev. John E. Brooks, S.J., president of the College; Harman; architects representing the Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson and Abbott firm of Boston; and representatives of the Perini Corporation of Framingham met last week to discuss the preliminary aspects of such an undertaking.

The proposal for the addition was initially made and approved at the same time as the addition to the Hart Center about one and a half years ago, when the Board of Trustees committed themselves to improve both the Hart Center and the science buildings. According to Harman, the Hart Center was a much simpler project to handle. Many major questions concerning the science addition arose,

including the financial consideration, site location and the aesthetic quality of a project of such importance.

The first question, financing construction of a building, has not yet been resolved, in part because of the unfortunate illness of John F. O'Keefe, vice president of business affairs and treasurer of the College.

A second question concerning the location of a new facility has been the subject of much deliberation. The original proposal called for the construction of a building between Haberlin and O'Neil which would connect the two, with the crowded science library expanding into this new location. However, the problem of how to handle the scheduling of classes now held in both existing buildings during the actual construction has forced all those involved in the decision making to weigh the feasibility of such consequences. An alternate proposal of a free standing building located to the left of O'Neil close to the library was brought up, but a connecting building has been thought to be a better choice.

A third question concerning the aesthetic aspect of such a building is considered very important and has been discussed at length. Again, it was generally agreed that a connecting facility would be the best alternative.

Now that the Hart Center addition has been completed, full attention can be devoted to the organization and finalization of plans for this

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The Rev. Paul F. Harman, S.J., vice president of the College, met to finalize plans for the new science addition last week.



Lehy dorm hides behind a snowbank created by campus plows which had been working nonstop during Monday's storm.

Blizzard cancels Monday

By JAMES O'NEILL
News Editor

The Holy Cross campus woke Monday morning to howling winds and driving snow as the worst storm of the winter dropped fifteen inches of accumulation on Worcester. Because of the storm, all campus employees were told not to come to work, several classes were cancelled by professors, many events scheduled in the Hogan Campus Center were also postponed, and the campus plows worked nonstop from the early morning hours right through the afternoon and on into Tuesday. The storm brought out once again the most difficult problem facing snow removal: getting students to move their cars so parking lots can be cleared.

Snow began falling late Sunday night, and

by the Worcester morning rush hour the storm had increased to its greatest intensity, with an average of two inches accumulating per hour. Because of this, according to the Rev. Paul Harman, S.J., vice-president of the College, he met with Richard M. Herideen, plant supervisor; Jim Long, superintendent of grounds; and John J. Donovan, director of campus security, and decided a little before 9 a.m. to notify employees not to arrive for work. According to Thomas W. Wiegand, director of Hogan Campus Center, those few workers who had already made it into work were sent home. "We tried to keep one door of Hogan open for the kids to come in and get their mail," said Wiegand. But the rest of the building was closed.

Those events which were to be held in Hogan, including the distribution requirement Study Group III open meeting, were cancelled. However, WCHC remained on the air, said station manager Jackie Urban '84. In addition, seniors did not cancel their rehearsal of the senior show on Monday, although many of the orchestra could not make it to the campus.

The work day may have been cancelled, but classes were not. "Our policy is not to cancel class," said the Rev. Raymond A. Schroth, S.J., dean of the College. "It's up to each individual faculty member to make a decision." Though some faculty did cancel class in certain isolated cases, Schroth said his impression was that many classes were still held. "And from the teachers I spoke to, student attendance was very high," he added. As for the Dean's personal schedule, because all his meetings were cancelled, he could spend the whole day working on an advising report.

The big problem for the grounds crew was getting students to remove their vehicles from the student parking lots to the cleared Hogan lots, so the plows could then clear the student lots. Herideen said, "Access is imperative. There is a need for access to the buildings in case of fire or needed assistance." Herideen pointed out that the grounds crew would gladly help students jump their cars, plow them out, or pull them, if only they showed some initiative to move their cars when asked and to park in the proper spots.

Once word comes that a storm is on the way, Herideen and Long, the superintendent who has worked at Holy Cross for almost 25 years, get all trucks and plows in order, make sure that there is enough fuel, and check on the supply of salt and sand. By Tuesday at noon, the campus plows had used up 260 gallons of diesel fuel.

Herideen, who came to Holy Cross from another school three years ago, praised Long and his crew. "Jim hasn't been home since the storm started Sunday night," he said late Tuesday. "The cohesiveness of this crew is phenomenal." The first six workers arrived at the campus in the first few hours of Monday morning, and began clearing such priorities as fire lanes, Linden Lane, Loyola, and the road-

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Elimination of SAC reports proposed

By JOANNE SADOWSKI
Assistant News Editor

The Committee on the Teaching Evaluation Forms recommended eliminating Student Advisory Council reports and votes on tenure, promotion, and renewal of probationary contract in one of their five proposals to the Educational Policy Committee at the February 4 EPC meeting. The EPC also discussed what schools to contract to gather data on academic monitoring of athletes and the action taken against three students who forged their adviser's signatures on their preregistration forms.

The TEF presented five proposals to the EPC. The TEF committee recommended that the TEF committee rewrite a guide for using TEF results and that they write a guide for evaluating teaching at Holy Cross, that the inclusion of percentile ranks be discontinued from the statistical section of the TEF report, that the SAC report and vote be eliminated, and that an annual award for outstanding teaching be established at the College.

Royce Singleton, associate professor of sociology, reported that the TEF committee found that the SAC reports are redundant because they report the statistical summary of the TEF form and make judgements that the faculty already make. "We are asking students to do something that we ourselves are far better capable of doing," Singleton said.

Patricia Bizzell, associate professor of English, noted that some faculty members favor discontinuing the TEF forms. Singleton said, "In our opinion the problem does not rest with the questionnaire itself."

The contribution that students would make in the process of determining tenure and promotion if the SAC report is discontinued is unclear. "Unless student representatives make a formal vote, the whole input becomes foggy," Thomas M.C. Lawler, professor of

English said. Singleton suggested that SAC members could still be responsible for administering the TEF reports and discussing tenure and promotional candidates with senior faculty members.

Kenneth W. Kerber, assistant professor of psychology said, "The big objection to the (SAC) vote is the asymmetry it creates in the system." The faculty judge a teacher on teaching, scholarship, and service, whereas students only judge a faculty member of teaching.

"In terms of overall evaluation, who else is better qualified to do it than teacher's them-

selves?" asked the Rev. Philip C. Rule, S.J., associate professor of English.

The SAC report carries a good deal of weight with the Board of Trustees. "They (the Board of Trustees) take it at face value," said Singleton.

While the SAC reports are the only formal measures of evaluation, the Rev. Raymond A. Schroth, S.J., dean of the College, said that the Committee on Tenure and Promotion encourages departments to assess teaching in additional ways, such as classroom visitation and syllabi review.

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Brendan Swords '83, Kathleen Senior '83, and Paul Canneen '83 performed this week in the Senior Class Play "My Fair Lady." See story on page 11.

Holy Cross News In Brief

Hart Center activities highlight Winter Homecoming

Tonight marks the beginning of the sixth annual Winter Homecoming weekend. The homecoming activities, scheduled for the next three days, begin this evening at 7:30 when the HC women's basketball team hosts Montclair (NJ) State, a Division I game.

On Saturday afternoon at 1:00, the Holy Cross hockey team challenges the University of Lowell, last year's NCAA Division II National Champions. The General Alumni Continuing Education Committee will present "War and Peace Today" at 1:00 and the class of 1983 will perform the musical "My Fair Lady" at 2:00.

Many of the weekend's highlights will be held at the Hart Center on Saturday. A basketball and hockey clinic, a crew tank demonstration, and family swimming and skating are planned for alumni, students, friends, and families.

Saturday night, the men's varsity basketball team faces the Boston College Eagles at 7:30 p.m. in the Worcester Centrum. After the game, a cocktail reception will be held at the Centrum.

Brunch will be open to alumni on Saturday and Sunday in Kimball. Hogan will serve lunches, dinners, and snacks throughout the weekend. Holy Cross alumni have also been offered reduced rates by certain local hotels.

—Sue McCann

Local internships offered

The Office of Special Studies held an informational meeting for prospective local academic interns on Feb. 9. The intern program counts for a student as one course and each intern receives four credits upon the successful completion of the internship.

Barbara Kohin, Associate Director of the Office of Special Studies, said that several steps must be completed before the prospective intern actually receives his internship. In addition to filling out an application the student must choose an agency in which he wishes to work, have a faculty member fill out a recommendation form, and upon acceptance into the program have an interview with the agency with which the student wishes to intern.

"Each student is expected to spend eight hours a week on the job and three to four hours a week on a related project," Kohin said.

According to Kohin, there is a limit of 75 students allowed to participate in this program because it has proved to be a burden on the limited number of faculty advisors.

Applications are due on Feb. 25 and acceptance notices will be sent in late March.

—Bob Cook

Opera evenings provide diversion

The Music Department and the Music Library are jointly sponsoring a series of Opera Evenings this semester in an effort to give students the opportunity to view a large collection of opera videotapes.

The videotapes, previously available only to the students of the particular music courses in which they were shown, can now be viewed by all students on Thursday evenings in Fenwick 141. Live public television opera broadcasts are also featured. Great masterpieces such as Verdi's *La Traviata*, *Othello*, and *Aida*; Puccini's *Madame Butterfly* and *Tosca*; and Wagner's *Tannhauser* are among those to be shown.

The idea for the evenings originally came when Music Librarian Dawn R. Thistle took a student's request made in the library's suggestion book, specifically asking that the large collection of video-

tapes be made available to all students. After soliciting requests from students as to what operas they would most like to see, Thistle then set up a schedule, alternating the different styles of opera so as not to show all of one composer or style at



Dawn R. Thistle, Music Librarian organized the schedule for the Opera evenings.

one time.

Thistle feels that the decision to move the location to Fenwick 141 will eliminate the problems with noise and heating which occurred in Fenwick 132, and will also encourage even greater attendance. The use of a new forty-inch television projection screen will also make viewing more comfortable. The video projection unit is hooked up to the room's stereo speakers for optimum listening enjoyment.

If at all possible, Thistle hopes to use those videotapes which have English subtitles. She said students should be reminded that the Music Library has the recordings and libretti of operas if they wish to familiarize themselves with the pieces before viewing them.

—Caryl Smachetti

Students begin application process for Marshall Funds

Applications for the Marshall Fund and the Student Grant Program, two funding programs sponsored by the Office of Special Studies at Holy Cross were due this past Wednesday. However, according to Randall K. Burkett, director of the Office of Special Studies, late applications would be considered based on the availability of extra funds.

Both of these programs were

founded in an effort to alleviate the costs of special research projects to students and faculty and to enhance the academic environment of the Holy Cross community.

The Marshall Fund, named after James J. Marshall and Ellen O'Connor Marshall, was established three years ago. It was founded in order to encourage Holy Cross students and faculty to become involved in the Worcester community. Every year up to three thousand dollars is allotted to the Marshall Fund by the Office of Special Studies to be used for the funding of special research projects. These projects must concern some aspect of Worcester, whether historical, cultural, or economic. A student may receive academic credit for a project, but he or she does not have to do so.

The Student Grant Program is a funding program established in 1971. Holy Cross faculty are not eligible for grants in this program, although they are eligible for Marshall Grants. The program's primary function is to provide Holy Cross students interested in some type of creative research project with funds to implement their research. Projects which fall under this program must be student initiated and they must be carried out under the close supervision of a Holy Cross faculty member.

Each year the Student Grant Program is allotted up to \$2000 to be used for project funding by the Office of Special Studies. Projects are not required to have a Worcester focus (as are the Marshall Fund projects), but they are expected to be organized and planned in detail. The student Grant Program does not allow for a student to undertake a project with the intent of attaining college credit.

Student Grant recipients in the past years have focused their projects on student research projects, participation at professional meetings, and educational programs.

Burkett explained the application procedures for these programs. "First, applicants must have sufficient academic background in order to participate. Next, a letter must be written to the Special Studies Committee. In this letter, the applicant must submit a detailed budget which also includes a description of the time frame which will be used for the spending of funds. The applicant also must have a recommendation from a faculty

member."

The members of the Special Studies Committee in charge of reviewing applications are Hilda Hein, associate professor of philosophy; the Rev. William E. Reiser, assistant professor of religious studies; David Hummon, assistant professor of sociology; Isabel Alvarez-Boreland, assistant professor of modern languages; Cynthia Clancy '83; Joanna Guilfooy '83 and Sandy Durland '83.

—Anthony Twyman

Washington interns tell of semester experiences

Ann Wilson '83 and Julie Halpin '84 discussed their Washington internships with students on Feb. 8. Wilson and Halpin spent their entire last semester in Washington.

Halpin spoke of her internship at the Smithsonian Institution. She worked on two museum programs, the American Dance Exposition and the World Explorer, which hosts international performers. By working on these programs, Halpin had the rewarding experience of working on publicity and production of various performances. While in Washington, Halpin was able to help put together six shows to accompany different performances. Hosts for the shows were The People's Republic of China, David Gordan Dance Co., and Eskimos from Greenland. The



Julie Halpin '83 and Ann Wilson '83 discussed their Washington seminars with interested students on Tuesday.

range of hosts enhanced Halpin's job by offering a taste of different cultures.

Wilson described her internship with the Congressional Office for

Women's Issues, a 176 member self-supported caucus. While working in the office Wilson answered the questions of senators and representative aids concerning women's issues. Wilson also had the opportunity to study and compile a caucus newsletter stating bills that had been passed and containing news summaries.

Through their internships, Halpin and Wilson found it necessary to be aggressive. By being aggressive they eventually gained important responsibilities.

—Debbie DePasquale

Drinking results in conflict

Last Friday night another campus drinking related difficulty occurred as two female Holy Cross students, residents of Mulledy, were involved in a physical altercation with a male resident of Clark, who was allegedly intoxicated.

The two women and a third friend headed out of Mulledy and passed some male students reportedly drunk and quite noisy. One of the men grabbed one of the women's belongings and reentered the dorm. The women followed to retrieve the item but were chased to another exit by the group of males.

Shortly after, the women returned to their hall, noticing that the group of males were at the doorway to their floor. One of the women took a hat off of one of the males. Apparently his language was vulgar and he stubbornly insisted that his hat be returned. The hat was produced for him, yet according to the women involved he refused it and became very angry. At this point the women told him to leave but he ignored them, so they said they would call security and his comment was "Go ahead, call security."

Due to his apparent drunkenness he proceeded to push one woman quite hard, and she fell, hurting her head. He grabbed a second woman by the hair and pushed her as well. Running to the stairs, he was stopped by a summoned security officer.

Because a meeting with the Rev. Earle Markey, S.J., dean of students and those immediately involved has been scheduled at a later date, said the women, punishment has yet to be determined.

—Margaret Madigan

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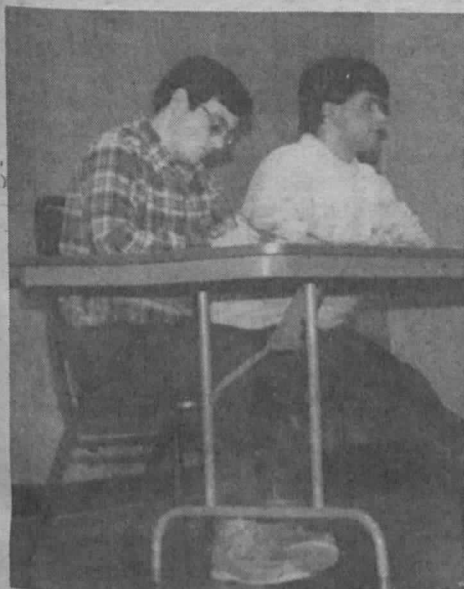
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SGA debates vandalism proposal and storage policy

By THOMAS J. SPELLMAN

The Student Government Association held its first general meeting of the semester, Sunday, centering its debate on a proposal to combat vandalism in dormitories and the adoption of a policy acceptable to the Dean of Students office providing for the storage of items in dormitories over the summer.

Dennis Mahoney '85 has been placed in charge of the committee which is attempting to prepare a comprehensive storage policy acceptable to both students and DOS. Mahoney had circulated a petition last week which collected over a thousand signatures protesting the storage policy, but to no avail.



John Quinn '83 and Chris Grisanti '83 lead the SGA meeting on Sunday.

The SGA is now attempting to pressure DOS into a compromise by asking the help of individual students in writing to DOS protesting the storage policy and explaining how the policy will adversely affect them.

Both Mahoney and SGA chairperson Chris Grisanti '83 have met with Peter Simonds, associate dean of students. Each was discouraged by Simonds' attitude. Grisanti said he found Simonds to be very "cynical" about the storage policy, and that he "just didn't want the hassle of listening to parents and students complaints about lost, damaged, or stolen items." Grisanti also said that he felt betrayed because Simonds had not consulted with him before instituting the new storage policy.

Mahoney added that Simonds said he "didn't think the new storage policy would affect too many students," and that the old Salvation Army-type furniture shouldn't be stored because it is a fire hazard.

The SGA hopes that DOS will allow items other than trunks to be stored, and that the "100 mile clause" will be eliminated; the SGA hopes students could store trunks even if they live within a 100 mile radius.

In the event that DOS does not compromise at all on its storage policy, Grisanti suggested the possibility of whole dorms renting out storage rooms at a considerably reduced price.

The other main topic of discussion at the SGA meeting was a vandalism proposal. The proposal calls for the Physical Plant to allocate funds to each dorm (the average amount used for vandalism repairs over the last three years per dorm). Any vandalism occurring in the dorm would be paid using funds from this account. At the end of the year any remaining funds would be used to pay for dorm renovations, such as a television, carpeting or pots and pans.



Members of the SGA discuss the new storage policies.

The SGA hopes that the plan will encourage those who vandalize to pay for the damage they have caused. The plan also calls for anonymity for those who offer to pay for the damage they have caused, (thus a confession of vandalism would be a private matter between the vandal and his/her RA), unless the act was particularly malicious or costly.

The SGA proposal is, in effect, a parallel of the Cornell policy of vandalism which has proven effective at Cornell. It is hoped that the new plan will reduce the staggering \$30,000 paid out each year by the Physical Plant to repair or replace vandalized items.

Grisanti expressed hope that the new plan would foster an attitude of civic-mindedness for one's dorm and community at Holy Cross. He stressed that "the 85 percent of the people who don't vandalize have to stand up and say 'no' to those who do vandalize, to say this is not how we behave at Holy Cross."

The upcoming election of a new chairperson of the SGA was also discussed. A debate among prospective candidates will take place on February 14. The primary election will be held on February 15. The main election will be held on February 22 and the new chairperson will take office on April 1.

Van aids Worcester access

By LANA TUFANO

The Student Activities Office has purchased a van to be used to provide a shuttle service between Holy Cross and various points in the Worcester center area. The shuttle service is another attempt to diversify Holy Cross student activities.

Peter W. Simonds, associate dean of students, said that the idea for such a service evolved "out of the philosophy that Holy Cross students seem to never leave the hill." Ken Singleton '83, a promoter of the shuttle service concept, hopes to provide the Holy Cross student with more cultural exposure.

The activities and programs available to students at Holy Cross such as dorm mixers, weekend movies, and "going to the Pub" all occur in the same vein and attract the same people. The van shuttle is another attempt at diversification. By providing access to the Worcester downtown area, students can take advantage of different types of off-campus activities, rather than this usual programming available each weekend on campus.

Supervising the van shuttle program, Simonds made clear the fact that the van will still be available for use by College committees and organizations upon request. The van shuttle will run Friday and Saturday nights from 8:00 P.M. until 1:00 A.M. following a course which has been tentatively determined. The loop to be followed will most likely be the following: the van will leave Holy Cross from

O'Kane hall and travel down Southbridge Street, turn behind the fire station, pass by Pickwicks Restaurant, travel down Main Street toward Lincoln Square and continue down Cambridge Street to Southbridge Street and back to Holy Cross.

While no definite stops have been designated as of yet, Simonds anticipates approximately twelve stops, including prominent places like the Webster Square Movie Theater, the Galleria, and the Centrum. The van driver, Paul Connolly '85, will also stop as the van is flagged down by Holy Cross students. Presently the van shuttle is circulating on a continual basis from 8:00 until 1:00, but plans for a specific schedule are presently being formed.

No identification will be required to ride the van, but Simonds believes Connolly will be able to recognize Holy Cross students using it. Connolly will drive the van each weekend as a workstudy job paid for out of the Student Activities budget. After one weekend in use Connolly commented, "Approximately twelve people used the van both Friday and Saturday nights. Everyone was literally enthusiastic about the service. I think it's a great idea, and once the word begins to spread the van will be full."

The Student Activities purchasing group accepted bids from two different automobile dealerships, consulted with the WPI director of student activities, and finally purchased the van for approximately \$11,500. The wide body van can hold 15 passengers and has opening instead of sliding doors, an automatic shift, and an AM radio. The cost of the van, aside from its initial purchase price, will include gas, upkeep, and parts expenses along with an insurance policy of \$1000.

Both Curry College and Boston College were used as model programs when gathering ideas for the van shuttle service. Policies in regard to the use of the van have been formed by John McAniff and the SAFC. Thus far, McAniff and the SAFC have determined the amount of funds to be provided for the van and the route the van will follow; they also placed ads in the Daily News describing the new van service available to all students of Holy Cross.

Many students explained their lack of use of the shuttle service last weekend as a result of faulty communications. The Student Activities plans to provide students with more information about the van shuttle service in the near future through publication of a notice to be sent in the Post Office boxes. Simonds said, "We would put a letter on the front of that (notice) and a map on the back."

One problem Simonds noted was that the van has not yet been identified as Holy Cross property. The van will be lettered to notify students of its role as the "Holy Cross Student Activities Van." Once in full operation, the vehicle will serve dual roles. It will be available for the loop as a means of transportation for Holy Cross students to Worcester Center, and also as a multi-purpose van for other student activities, committees, and organizations at Holy Cross.

Teaching guide proposed

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Rule suggested that if the SAC report is eliminated that SAC members could still consult with other students and give a written letter with or without a recommendation.

The TEF committee suggested rewriting the guide for using TEF results. The revisions should include an emphasis on the overall quality of teaching at the College and on the importance of alternative sources of teacher evaluation. There should also be a section on providing guidelines for evaluating written comments. The EPC agreed that this suggestion had merit.

The TEF committee also recommended writing a guide for evaluating teaching and establishing a faculty award for outstanding teaching. "The award would not be based exclusively or predominantly on TEF results - a significant recognition would be associated with it," Singleton said. Rule suggested that the award, if established, be initiated at commencement.

"Most other institutions have awards for outstanding teachers," Singleton said. The TEF committee investigated similar awards at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Clark University and discovered that the common amount for such an award is \$1000.

The elimination of percentile ranks and retention of percentile ranges was also recommended by the TEF committee. "The single most abused statistic on there (the SAC report)

is the percentile rank," Peace said. Singleton also cited the danger of looking at the ranks, not the ranges, which leads to misinterpretations of the numbers.

The EPC discussed their subcommittee's contacting other schools to investigate the practice of academic monitoring of student athletes. Earl G. Peace, Jr., associate professor of chemistry, stated that the subcommittee is planning to expand the scope of their study of schools to include schools outside the New England area.

John Fumagalli '83, noting the College's recent admission to the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, felt that studying New York schools would be beneficial. Peace said that the subcommittee is planning to study, Amherst, Harvard, Dartmouth, UMass, and Brown, but that suggestions had been made to study Notre Dame and other institutions.

Lawler said, "I don't think a form on every athlete should be sent to every teacher." Lawler felt that this practice makes athletes different from other students. Lawler recommended investigating academic monitoring of athletes in schools which the college is comparable to academically, rather than athletically.

Peace felt that the College discover what the athletic competition is doing in regard to the issue of academic monitoring. "I want to compare us against our (athletic) competition," Peace said.

The list of schools to be contacted will be expanded.

The EPC considered the punishment of three students who forged their advisor's signatures on their preregistration forms. The offenders received a letter of reprimand, one copy of which was placed in their file at the College.

The question arose as to whether the forgery was a worse offense than plagiarism. According to Schroth, there is no form letter that the college uses regarding the reporting of plagiarism.

"Forgery is a blatant error in judgement. I can't just say it's minor," said Peace.

The EPC discussed the plans for Senior Week, which include sports events and speakers. The distribution sheet of minus grades for last semester was also handed out to EPC members. Schroth revealed that he has received 135 letters from faculty and students concerning academic advising.

The report of the Library Committee was distributed. Fumagalli and Fred O'Connor '84 raised the point that many students wish to have the library's hours expanded.

Candidates Announced

The following students have declared their candidacy for the 1983-84 Student Government Association Chairperson race:

Peter Lloyd Brown '84
Eric Green '85
Kevin G. Kenneally '84
Alex Mikulich '84
Jim Owens '85
Paul A. Palumbo '84

The candidates will debate the campaign issues on Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. in Hogan 403. Primary elections are the following day at lunch in Lower Kimball, at dinner in Upper Kimball, and for Day Students and Off Campus Students in the Hogan lobby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. See page 4 for an overview of each candidate.

SGA candidates air their views before the debate

By MARY CODD, CHRISTA SHEEHAN, and KATHLEEN QUINN

On Tuesday evening John Quinn '83, election coordinator for the Student Government Association, announced those candidates who would run for SGA chairperson for 1983-84. One of the candidates is technically ineligible right now, but the matter could be resolved at the weekly SGA meeting this Sunday.

The candidates represent a wide range of varied backgrounds, and have stated several different reasons for running in the campaign. Issues range from the SGA as a voice for students views to financial aid to dialogues on social action.

A debate among the candidates has been scheduled for Monday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. in Hogan 403. According to Quinn, the debate will be "very structured." After a brief introductory statement, each candidate will have several minutes to comment on the other speeches. Finally, the debate will be opened to the floor for questions.

Primary elections will be held the next day, Tuesday, during lunch in Lower Kimball and at dinner in Upper Kimball. A ballot table will also be set up in the Hogan Campus Center lobby from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for day and off-campus students. The final election will be held a week from Tuesday. Following is a brief summary of the goals, policies, and experience of each of this year's candidates.

Peter Lloyd Brown

Peter Lloyd Brown '84 thinks that his "vision and experience" are two of his qualifications for chairperson of the SGA. Brown has been involved in campus life in a variety of ways: he is the current president of both the Black Student Union and the Bishop Joseph Fenwick Forensic and Debating Society and is public service director of WCHC. Brown is also a second lieutenant cadet on scholarship in the Army ROTC program at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Brown feels that he has developed "a good

understanding of the campus and the administration" through his involvement in a variety of activities.

Brown feels that the SGA will have to confront the issues of distribution requirements, the new policy on summer storage, and better social alternatives on campus.

One of Brown's major concerns is a campus move "to a dialogue on social action." Brown said that a school like Holy Cross should practice what it preaches in aspects of social justice. Brown suggested aiding the people of Worcester.

Eric Green

Eric Green '85 is running for SGA chairperson because of the challenge in the position. "This is an exciting time for the SGA and there are very important issues which need to be resolved." The issues Green emphasized were the recent revision of the campus storage room policy, the policy on vandalism, distribution requirements, and the need for greater student support of the involvement in the SGA.

Green said that he thinks the storage policy is the most important issue at the moment, since it affects the whole student body. "The current proposal is unreasonable, and should be challenged," stated Green. He also spoke of the need for a strict vandalism policy, saying "the majority are hurt by the immaturity of the minority and this must be stopped."

Green favors distribution requirements that will provide students with a balanced education, but opposes a language requirement.

Above all, Green said that the SGA has "a lot of potential for representing the students, but we must generate a more effective SGA by getting students behind us." He continued, saying he wants the SGA to become a more potent force on campus, allowing students a larger say in campus policies formulated by the administration and by DOS.

Green is a member of Chris Grisanti '83's cabinet. Grisanti is the current SGA chairperson. Green served as SGA information officer.

Kevin Kenneally

Kevin Kenneally '84 thinks that students have begun to lose their voice on many issues of current importance to the campus. He said that he would try to assure that the SGA would effectively serve as the student spokesman to the administration.

Kenneally is a member of the Quality of Student Life Committee and the Student Personnel Policies Committees. Last semester, as a member of the Healy House Council, he organized Healy's dorm lecture series.

Financial aid is another issue that Kenneally wishes to pursue. "Students need aid in this era of rising tuition and declining assistance," he said. He hopes to continue the fight for that aid.

"There are many issues in which students are losing their voices," Kenneally stressed. These issues, he said, include the storage policy and the Teaching Evaluation Forms Committee recommendation to eliminate the Student Advisory Council reports. The SGA should demand to be consulted in the best interests of the students, he said.

Alex Mikulich

Alex Mikulich '84, believes that his ability to give impetus to new ideas and see them carried through to success makes him a distinctive leader among all the other candidates. Mikulich was responsible for the foundation of both the Political Coalition and the College Democrats, and is presently chairperson of the College Democrats. Mikulich is partially responsible for organizing a publication which will bring together articles on nuclear arms issues written by students at the various Jesuit colleges across the nation. In March 1982, the Financial Aid Office at Holy Cross paid his way to Washington to lobby against the proposed cuts in student aid, and he returned to Washington earlier this semester with the other representatives from Holy Cross in the March For Life.

Mikulich says that the two most important academic issues facing Holy Cross are distribution requirements and the possibility of losing the SAC teacher evaluations.

The biggest campus issue according to Mikulich is the present meal plan. Mikulich would like to see the SGA get together with the Purple Key Society or the Campus Committee Board of Directors, to offer more trips into Boston and Worcester, and also to inform the students of what is going on in these cities. Because Mikulich is technically a first semester senior (he will have enough credits to graduate in December of 1983), he is ineligible according to a "technicality" in the SGA charter to run for chairperson. However, according to Quinn, if the rules are changed at Sunday night's SGA meeting, and the word "undergraduate" is removed from a clause in the charter, Mikulich would be eligible. The clause states that "only full time Holy Cross undergraduate students who will be attending

the College for the entire period during which the terms of office extends shall be eligible..."

Not that Mikulich won't be on campus for the second semester. The Rev. Raymond A. Schroth, S.J., dean of the College, has granted him "Special Student Status," whereby Mikulich will take four courses during the spring semester of 1984, paying full tuition but without the courses counting towards credits. He will then graduate with the rest of the class in May. Mikulich said he thinks this shows his academic achievement and dedication to the school.

Quinn said that until a decision is finally reached at the Sunday meeting, "we are allowing Alex the privileges accorded to candidates in the event that the provision is passed."

Jim Owens

Jim Owens '85 has observed a "lack of communication between the students and the administration at Holy Cross due to current SGA policy." As a candidate for SGA chairperson, Owens' aim is to amend these policies. His experience in student government includes one year as the dorm representative for Hanselman and two years on that dorm's House Council. Two major issues that the SGA must address, according to Owens, are the damage on campus caused by vandalism, and the summer storage policy.

"The present summer storage policy is very oppressive and needs to be handled more effectively. There should be greater organization concerning items stored in boxes or trunks, but there is no reason why furniture such as couches and bunk bed parts can't be stored," said Owens.

Owens also said, "The bookstore seems to have a monopoly on new and used books, although the SGA co-op has done an excellent job." He proposes expanding the co-op by copying and distributing book lists and previous class rosters so that any student entering one of these classes may be able to contact a student from whom he may purchase the required books. If elected SGA Chairperson, Owens hopes to be "visible and approachable" and make regular reports to the Crusader.

Paul Palumbo

According to Paul Palumbo '84, the chief problem facing the SGA is the lack of respect among students. There is a communication problem between students and the SGA, compounded by the students' perception of the SGA as an organization that isn't effective. Palumbo feels that students don't understand the purposes and goals of the SGA.

The SGA will have to deal with the new storage policy, Palumbo stressed. The controversial storage policy and the lack of credibility are the major problems facing the SGA.

Palumbo sees his experience as a student as a sufficient qualification for becoming SGA chairperson. Palumbo views the position as a learning experience.

Health programs eliminated; Pool creates alternatives

By JENNIFER NELSON

The elimination of both the Weight Watchers program and the no-cost aerobics program are two recent changes which have affected the new surge of physical fitness groups on campus.

Mari Maloney '84, who was originally in charge of the Weight Watchers program, said that it was the decision of the Rev. Earle L. Markey, S.J., dean of students, to terminate the program. According to Maloney, "Weight Watchers is a profit organization and Holy Cross didn't want to get involved with this type of organization soliciting on campus." She pointed out that if Weight Watchers were allowed, other profit groups would want entrance to the campus as well. Maloney said that the college wanted to avoid any insurance losses that could possibly result from any difficulties with the organization.

Christine Johnson '84 was hired by Ronald S. Perry, director of athletics, and Togo A. Palazzi, the women's basketball coach, to begin an aerobics physical fitness program which they hoped would generate more student use of the Hart Center's facilities. The program was designed as a permanent athletic program offered at no cost, as opposed to an extracurricular activity.

The new program, however, created a problem for the Dance Club which was currently offering an aerobic exercise 10 week course for \$12. According to Johnson, "The girls who had signed up and paid the money felt that it was unfair to offer aerobics for free." Johnson believes that a free program attracts many more interested students. During the first three days after she put an advertisement in the newspaper, she received about 180 responses. "This indicated to me that the other aerobics program wasn't fulfilling the needs of a greater number of students," said Johnson.

Johnson's plans for the new program have been stopped. According to Mary Anne Charon '83, a member of the Dance Club, "Johnson will now have to work under the Dance Club." Perry confirmed this statement. "I didn't know that the Dance Club was already offering an aerobics program. They are in charge of beginning a new one." The new aerobic program offered by the Dance Club will meet for 8 weeks at a price of \$9.

A course in synchronized swimming being

offered at the Hart Center will continue as planned. Patricia Burdulis '85 is running the program and is the only instructor. Burdulis has been a member of the Synchromaids, a swimming organization in Worcester, for 8 years.

"It was my idea to begin a synchronized swimming class, and with the new pool it was a perfect opportunity," said Burdulis. Synchronized swimming is frequently referred to as water ballet. The students learn various underwater and above water movements and develop routines. There is no stipulated length of the course. Burdulis said she would eventually like to see it meet several times a week. The course currently is offered at no cost, and the group meets at 9:00 Saturday mornings.

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'Plus and minus' of new grading system examined

By JOANNE SADOWSKI
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The new grading system implementing plus and minus grades came into effect at the beginning of last semester, and has encountered mixed reactions among faculty and students.

The two groups agree that the introduction of minus grades will create more accuracy in the grading system. The debate occurs over the effects the system will have on the students' quality point indexes.

Declining academic standards have been a concern at Holy Cross since January 1981, when the Rev. Joseph R. Fahey, S.J., then dean of the College, sent a memorandum to faculty members on the issue. The Educational Policy Committee decided at its January 23, 1981 meeting to allow each department to review its own standards.

An ad hoc committee to the EPC recommended in September 1981 that a new system using minus grades be instituted. Law schools and medical schools deflated the value of the Holy Cross plus grade because the graduate schools' grading scale did not account for a plus grade with a .5 value. The proposal was submitted to and approved by the faculty at its October, 1981 meeting.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors retained their cumulative grade point averages from previous semesters. No change was made in the requirements for qualifying for the Dean's List, participating in special programs, or for receiving honors at graduation.

Michael G. McGrath, premedical and pre-dental advisor, explained that the previous grading system with a plus grade worth a half point more than the solid grade was rare. Most schools use either straight grades or the system now in use at the College.

Although the Rev. Raymond A. Schroth, S.J., dean of the College, said that he favored the old system because of its simplicity, he is now more convinced that the new system is equitable. "I think the main effect is that it does give faculty members a chance to make more distinctions in evaluating the quality of work. The process of evaluation is at best a kind of dialogue between the student and teacher. In that way both sides need larger vocabularies to enrich the conversation," Schroth said.

Many faculty members believe that one of the attributes of the new system is that it allows them to make finer distinctions when grading students. "I like the new grading system because it seems unfair when you have a lot of input into a course and you only have a few grades with which to grade the student. To be as fair as possible and to differentiate as much as possible is a more just system," said Alice L. Laffey, R.S.M., assistant professor of religious studies.

According to Edward H. Thompson, Jr., associate professor of sociology, the range may have been too large under the previous system. For example, a professor could consider a B grade as ranging from 2.7 to 3.3 quality points. "People doing well were perceived the same as someone doing terrible," Thompson said.

The new system allows professors to make differentiations that previously were not possible. "Between a C+ and a B I would ordinarily give the B, but now I give the B- . Obviously this can hurt the student but it can also help," said Edward F. Wall Jr., associate professor of history.

While minus grades may appear more frequently than straight grades, this may not necessarily be for purely negative reasons, according to the Rev. Philip Rule, S.J., associate professor of English. "I have a feeling there will be fewer A's and more A- 's because a lot of times a professor would have given an A instead of a B+ for some deserving people that they didn't want to penalize," but will now save the A for the most outstanding students.

Students agree that the new system provides the faculty with a more precise means of grading. Janet Gallagani '85 said, "Anything that makes the grading more specific is a more accurate system. It may be close to impossible to get an A, but it will mean more."

However, faculty members caution that any comparison students make to the old system must reflect the reorganization of the entire grading system, not only the addition of minus

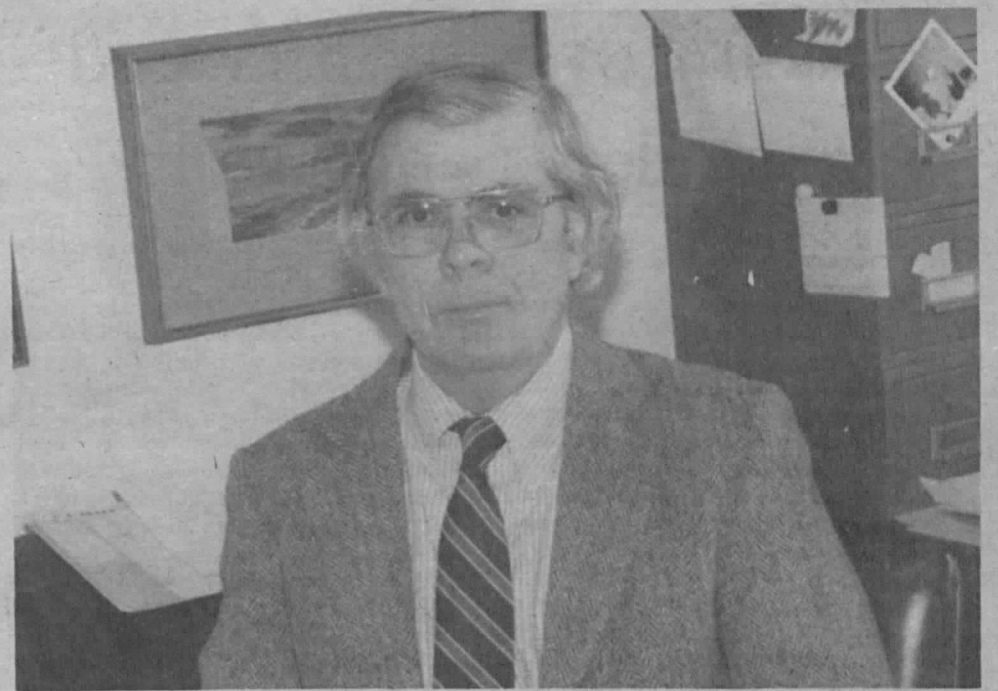
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grades. Students tend to dwell on the lower point value of the plus grades and not consider the higher value of the minus grades they receive.

Students who believe that the minus grades have damaged their QPI often fail to realize that grades are distributed differently on the new system. "Although a C+ is worth 2.3 quality points rather than 2.5 points, a B- is worth 2.7 points. Some of the people who got a B- from me this time would have gotten a C+ under the old system. Some may have gotten a B," Stephen M. Cross, assistant professor of economics, said. A B+ which is now worth 3.3 points would not necessarily have been a B+ which is now worth 3.3 points would not necessarily have been a B+ worth 3.5 points under the old system.

McGrath explained that grading has become more stringent at the College over the past two



Rev. Philip Rule, S.J. feels that A's will still be given to quality students.

years, but cautioned that this strictness is not necessarily the result of the new grading system. "I think cumulative grades would be lower this semester under the old system. The grading system is the easiest scapegoat for students to look at," McGrath said. The total average of all grades given in all courses was 2.896 for Fall 1982, a decline from the 2.998 average in Fall 1981.

"Colleges are always concerned about the QPI. If you get the reputation of being an easy school, you're dead," said Rule.

The feeling among students is that the College is not suffering the stigma of being an 'easy' school. "There has been so much talk about grade inflation that the addition of a

lege Application Service, a formal organization to which 75 percent of the medical schools in the U.S. refer, looks at grades from schools all over the country. Originally, grades from all undergraduate schools were translated by the AMCAS as straight A's, B's, or C's. A B+ at Holy Cross worth 3.5 points was converted by AMCAS to a B worth 3.0 points. When AMCAS instituted the same plus and minus system now used by the College, Holy Cross students lost only .2 points in the AMCAS conversion.

McGrath stated that two years ago AMCAS began weighing the grades under whatever system each particular college used. "AMCAS interprets it (the grade) as each institution interprets it." Thus a Holy Cross B+ was interpreted by AMCAS last year as worth 3.5 points, but it is now given a value of 3.3 points because that is how Holy Cross now interprets a B+.

"Grades are relative to other students at the same school. Rank in class is more important (to medical schools) than absolute grades," McGrath said. McGrath and Rule stressed the fact that an undergraduate school's reputation among graduate schools is important.

Valchovic's complaint that the minus grades will increase both competition among students and quality of work was echoed by Patelis who said, "The added pressure of this new grading system will increase the academic competitiveness but will take away from the reputation of Holy Cross as an all around school."

"A C at Holy Cross is worth more than a C at another school," said Laffey. "If grades weren't important here the students perhaps would have different kinds of options. Learning would be more of a priority than the QPI," Laffey continued.

Because there is no absolute numerical division for distinguishing between grades, students often feel they are subject to the discretion of professors and departments. "The problem isn't the grades, it's the philosophy of the departments," Maureen Tinsley '83 said.

According to Daniel G. Dewey, associate professor of mathematics, the system's effectiveness depends on how it is used. The College describes the letter grades as ranging from excellent to failing. "Some places tie their grades not just to a couple of points but to averages," said Dewey.

Cross explained that teachers have ideas of absolute standards before they go into a class; but are able to establish more relative standards as they become familiar with the class. Teachers now can differentiate between students with an exceptional grasp of the material and those with merely a better than average understanding.

Faculty members stress that because the system has been in effect for only one semester, any results cannot be accurately determined. Eileen M. Tosney, registrar of the College, cautioned that valid interpretations cannot yet be made.

"You need more than just one course or one semester to get a reaction," Rule said.

Students may not see the long term effect because they are seeing only four grades, according to Dewey. The grades should balance across the student population in the long run, Dewey predicted. Cross observed that any change in grade averages may be attributed to standard fluctuations in grades.

Students often claim that the unfamiliarity of the system is now a disadvantage. Eric Kohler '85 said, "I think once the faculty gets used to them (minus Grades) it will be a more accurate way (of grading). Professors are so used to giving out plus or straight grades that

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Fall 1981 through Fall 1982

Department	Total Students	A %	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	F
Chemistry												
Fall 1981	841	17.80		15.80	27.30		11.40	13.50		3.40	2.00	0.02
Spring 1982	690	17.80		20.00	29.00		12.20	12.00		2.70	3.00	0.30
Fall 1982	838	10.60	9.70	14.20	19.60	10.40	10.40	7.70	4.40	2.00	1.70	0.60
Economics												
Fall 1981	1275	11.20		14.80	24.90		18.40	15.40		5.60	4.30	1.00
Spring 1982	1104	11.70		15.20	26.40		17.50	17.30		5.10	3.40	1.20
Fall 1982	1156	5.90	7.30	13.10	15.90	14.40	13.70	11.50	7.90	2.60	2.50	0.30
English												
Fall 1981	1212	7.80		21.40	37.80		20.90	8.70		1.20	0.90	0.20
Spring 1982	1130	14.30		24.10	34.20		16.60	6.60		1.90	0.20	0.70
Fall 1982	1103	3.70	8.10	19.00	26.20	19.20	11.90	5.60	3.30	0.60	0.80	0.40
Mathematics												
Fall 1981	937	19.00		19.20	22.10		13.20	11.80		5.10	3.10	0.60
Spring 1982	841	19.70		17.90	25.30		15.70	10.70		3.00	2.80	1.50
Fall 1982	983	13.20	10.30	12.80	17.00	9.30	8.60	10.50	5.20	3.90	4.20	1.60

Distribution of grades from Fall 1981 to Fall 1982. Percentages of grades A through F are listed, although grades such as WP, WF, I, P, and NP are taken into account. Thus, percentages do not add up to 100 percent.

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Grading system discussed by students and faculty

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they're not sure how they're going to use the minus grades."

The new system will affect students on the lower end of the grading spectrum. Graduation requirements will remain at 2.0 points. A C- average will not be sufficient to graduate. Thompson recommended implementing a D- grade between the D worth 1.0 points and the F worth 0 points. "I think there's a difference between passing a course and failing a course," he said. Thompson sees the new system as motivating students to make an extra effort. Students' increased response would then further motivate the faculty.

Laffey cautioned that although grades can be a motivating factor they can also be a destructive tool when a QPI becomes more important to the student than learning.

Some students believe that a more intense workload will curtail participation in a variety of extra-curricular activities. "The added pressure of this new grading system will increase the academic competitiveness, but will take away from the reputation of Holy Cross as an all-around school," said Patelis.

Schroth disagreed with this opinion. "I just think the evidence is overwhelming that some of our most balanced students demonstrating a variety of talents are also some of the best students," Schroth said.

The new grade system is only one way the College hopes to improve academic standards, according to Schroth. The possibility of initiating distribution requirements and creating more student awareness of academic prizes, honor societies, and special programs are two other methods by which the College hopes to heighten academic standards.

Snow shuts down campus; 15 inches hit Worcester

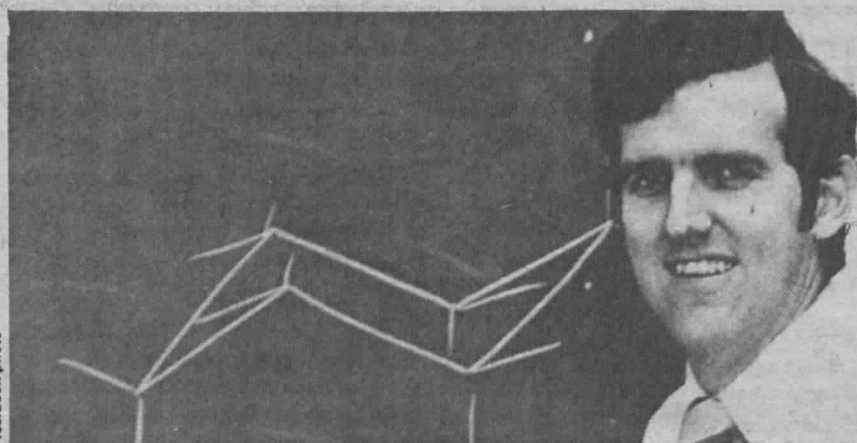
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ways around the dorms. "We even plow up College Street to Gate 7," said Herideen. Several hours later the first workers were joined by the rest of the crew and all thirteen continued to plow. "Riding alone in one of those trucks," explained Herideen, "you're battling fatigue, you can't see, you're looking for things hidden."

Then the crew began concentrating on the lots. This is where the real problems set in. "We harp so much on illegal parking because of the fire lanes," Herideen said. "Access is imperative." At the same time, the stairs and

walkways were being cleared. Monday afternoon there were twenty four shovelers working, some of them Holy Cross students, and some Worcester high school students who had off from school because of the storm.

After the roads were cleared, the crew began widening spaces late Monday and Tuesday. "You can only push the snow so far; then you have to move it," said Herideen. By plowing to curbs and onto campus road shoulders, the grounds crew insures there will be some place to plow new snow if another storm should arrive. And according to area weather stations, another significant snowfall is in the forecast for this weekend.



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Median Cumulative QPI's by Class Status

at end of first semester grading

Senior Class		
Fall 1981	3.166	7 semesters on prior grading system
Fall 1982	3.124	6 semesters on prior/1 semester on new
Junior Class		
Fall 1981	3.122	5 semesters on prior system
Fall 1982	3.046	4 semesters on prior/1 semester on new
Sophomore Class		
Fall 1981	3.037	3 semesters on prior system
Fall 1982	2.933	2 semesters on prior/1 semester on new
Freshman Class		
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Fall 1982	2.725	1 semester on new system

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Minus grades a plus

Declining academic standards at the College have been the object of several years of intense discussion and debate. The new grading system, implemented last fall, is the latest attempt to address the issue.

The updated system is definitely a plus:

- Our previous grading system was anachronistic. Most colleges and universities across the country employ the system we recently adopted. It was only logical for us to conform.
- The new plus/minus system, contrary to popular belief, will not lessen Holy Cross students' chances for admission to graduate schools. Under the old system, Holy Cross grades were automatically lowered before schools looked at our students.
- Students benefit from the system as often as not. While it is true that a student who earned 3.5 points last year for a B+ now only receives a 3.3, students who used to receive 2.5 points for a C+ can now just as easily earn a 2.7 B-.
- Teachers need a wide scale of grades from which to rate student performance. Yes, an A is more difficult to obtain, but it should be.
- The minus grade system will increase competition among students, and this is not of itself a bad thing. Students will find themselves working harder to obtain the B. Competition can increase mental activity and promote a healthy rivalry for knowledge.

While the system has many strong points, we must constantly remind ourselves that lower grades do not necessarily equal higher academic standards. Academic standards are more directly related to the quality teaching, student work, and classroom discussion.

One further point. Under the previous system, Dean's List required a 3.5, or B+. Since the B+ grade has been lowered to a 3.3, so should the requirement for Dean's List.

Large turnout essential

On Feb. 15, the Student Government Association will conduct primary elections to narrow the field of SGA chairperson candidates down to two. Voting will take place in upper and lower Kimball for residents, and in Hogan Campus Center for off-campus and day students. As in past years, there should be no reason for anyone not to vote. Yet, in 1981, only 47 percent of the student body voted, and last year even fewer students — 43 percent — put their pens to the ballot.

Student interest in the election of the SGA chairperson is essential to the well-being of that organization, and the campus as a whole.

The SGA is capable of playing a major role in the governing of student activities and student life. It can be used as an effective lobbying force to the college administration, representing the interests of the entire student population.

If the SGA hopes to effectively influence College policy, it is essential that students show their support. Only a healthy turnout for Tuesday's primary will allow the SGA to be taken seriously.

Sunday definitely not Monday

To the Editor:

In a gentle response to the two questioners, James F. Tanguay '83, and Mark F. Bowen '83, who wonder in the Jan. 28 Crusader how the Holy Cross community can celebrate the Sunday liturgy over a period of 29 and one half hours, a few facts may be in order.

The Church has always urged and exhorted her members "to keep holy the Sabbath." For Christians, in response to the great acts of God which took place on Easter and on Pentecost, this Sabbath has been designated by the believing community as Sunday, instead of the Jewish Sabbath, Saturday. It is Sunday, then, that is our "Lord's Day" and "day of rest." In western culture, Sunday, like every other day, begins at midnight and ends at midnight. Thus, the obligation for Catholics to worship on Sunday has traditionally been seen as being fulfilled between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday.

In recent years, the Church has allowed this time to be extended to include Saturday late afternoon and evening, in response to the conditions and demands of modern life, and mindful of the Jewish tradition that saw the Sabbath beginning at sundown; this is an extension of the time for communal worship, and not a substitution. Thus, the practice of Holy Cross community regarding Mass times falls well within the norms governing the Church's celebration of the liturgy.

Mr. Tanguay and Mr. Bowen close their letter by implying that the liturgy situation at Holy Cross is a violation of one of the Ten Commandments; one would hope that this short review of some fundamental facts of Church life would reassure them and allow them to move on to asking some important questions.

(Rev.) Michael G. Boughton, S.J.
Associate Chaplain

Letters to the Editor

College did listen

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the editorial entitled "Speaker choice is great" in the February 4 edition of The Crusader. On behalf of this year's Commencement Committee, I feel "compelled" to clarify how the choice of the Commencement speaker was made.

A committee made up of twelve students, two administrators and three faculty members met and discussed the suggestions submitted by seniors and faculty members. (A letter requesting suggestions was sent to all seniors and department heads Nov. 15, 1982.) The committee solicited suggestions from various people in the Holy Cross community and researched the background of the candidates. After a considerable amount of time and effort, a list of twenty names was compiled. I met with Fr. Brooks and submitted the suggestions to him for his consideration. Joseph Cardinal Bernardin was one of the first names on our list. Fr. Brooks was appreciative of the committee's work and considered our suggestions very seriously.

We too feel that the "Speaker choice is great" not only because Bernardin will be an intelligent and interesting speaker but also because our recommendations were considered and adopted. This year, the administration did pay heed to the student committee's suggestions, and such committees should remain in existence.

Patricia M. Gibbons, Chairperson
1983 Commencement Committee

Lyrics too sexist

To the Editor:

It was late. The crowd, sweating in the dark, beer-thick air, called out lustily to one another: what a success the pub opening was! The red-faced band members plunged into another tune, and the students began to careen into one another in a loose, half-drunk haze.

Rather dazed myself, I swayed with the crowd and half-consciously began to sing along with the band, now soaring into a crescendo:

*"Cross Girls, they taste like candy,
Cross Girls, sweeter than wine,
Cross Girls, so fine and dandy,
I wanna make them all mine."*

Suddenly I realized what I was singing and stopped. I felt a blush of humiliation: I, and many other women in the pub, were singing a song that made us seem ridiculous.

After the show I asked Ed "Xeno" Mazurek '84, head of the band Na Zdrowie and composer of the song, about his choice of lyrics. "We're just trying to say that Holy Cross girls are sweet and nice. It's a compliment," he said. He looked defiant—another feminist complaining about trivialities.

I guess Xeno doesn't think that Holy Cross women grow up differently than Holy Cross men. I guess he doesn't realize that growing up, we "Cross girls" were continually told to be "sweet" and "nice" and "a lady." And that these too-familiar words have really meant "passive," "submissive," "non-threatening."

I don't blame Xeno or other Holy Cross men for not knowing these things. They probably weren't aware that these light-hearted verses singled out a sore spot for women — and dumped salt in the wound. But it is time for them to realize: women do hear these lyrics in a different way. It is time to think about how these lines about women sound to women.

Xeno neglected to comment on the blatant sexual imagery in his song. I guess he doesn't realize that it is dehumanizing.

We do not live in a vacuum. Every day we are bombarded with advertising which focuses on some part of a woman's body, isolating it from a human context and merchandising it as much as a product. Xeno's lyrics follow in this sad pattern which seeks to depersonalize women.

In a Crusader article last week, Xeno said that Na Zdrowie plays "songs that our audience knows...and music it can relate to." I hope he realizes that many of us can't relate to his music. I don't think Na Zdrowie consciously sets out to insult women: they are unaware of how the other half thinks.

I think it is time to become aware.

Mary Beth Sheridan '83



DOS motive is such

To the Editor:

I found the article concerning student petitioning of summer storage policy quite revealing. Without any doubt the Holy Cross community now knows that Peter Simonds is completely detached from student needs. The article courteously grants Simonds the benefit of the doubt regarding the policy, assuming that the ever-benevolent administrator may have "misperceived the effect" of his policy on Holy Cross students. Sadly, Simonds' perceptions were all too clear and his intentions typically premeditated. The subsequent tipoff leading to this conclusion is Simonds' eloquent statement, "I don't care if you have 2,500 signatures," referring to the petition.

How lovely! An associate dean of students who, by his own admission, does not care about student opinion. This attitude is calloused, backward, and contemptible, and is all too consistent with Simonds' previous statements and actions. While I sincerely regret that I must respond on "Salvation Army" type couches in the French Provincial decor (continuous rotation increases seal this fate), I must take this storage policy as an unsubstantiated farce. Simonds has presented no evidence to the contrary. But hey, doesn't have to, right? He doesn't have to listen, or even attempt to project a positive image to the college community, right?

Voters are key to SGA strength

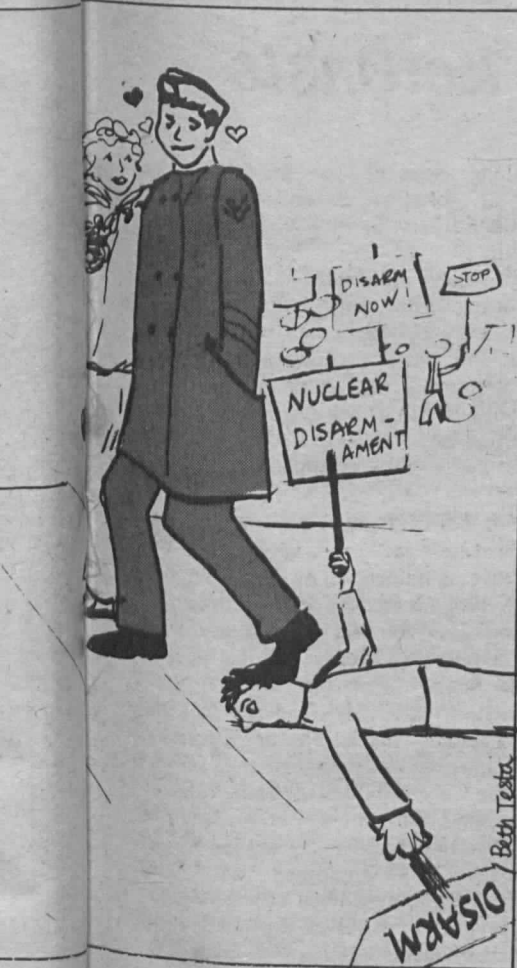
To the Editor:

Who will be the SGA Chairperson in 1983-1984? This year's election is especially important because the SGA has become more involved and responsible than ever before and it thus offers more exciting possibilities for the future. The opportunity which is before the SGA right now is to become a truly representative and effective organization for the entire student body.

Upon entering Holy Cross in 1980, I was disturbed by many problems faced by organizations. Many students were trying to grapple with the most pressing topics in the forefront of our social and political life. Also, I heard many original ideas discussed and debated a several meetings. Unfortunately many of those ideas never made it beyond the closed doors of growth and meetings. Limited organizational power and visibility, lack of open communication with the student body at large and almost nonexistent debate between several political and social oriented organizations were a few of the problems I perceived.

Compelled to answer these problems, I searched for methods which would channel the ideas of many groups and individuals into one open forum. After consulting with several professors and students about possible solutions, I was left with a feeling of helplessness, for it seemed as though these problems were unresolvable.

I was not completely discouraged.



is latched ...

Apparently, anything is possible in a free-market democracy.

Brian Delaney '84

... in controversy

To the Editor:

On several occasions during Parent's Weekend last November, a group of parents gathered in my room to relax and socialize. Fortunately, I was able to offer them if you my mother and the other ladies in the group a comfortable seat on one of my two couches. Contrary to what the Dean of Students office must visualize as "Salvation Army" type couches, both pieces of furniture are fireproof and in excellent condition.

I brought the couches to Holy Cross last fall confident that I would have the privilege of leaving them here for three years. After all, there is ample storage space available in every dorm. If the Dean of Students office abandons the storage policy which many of my fellow students must have enjoyed in the past, I will be unable to afford the expense and inconvenience of transporting my furniture in the future. I hope that when my mother visits me next year she won't have to sit on the floor.

Brian Kelleher '85

to SG strength

because I felt that the spirit of teamwork, evident in all aspects of life here at Holy Cross, could in some way overcome the problem. Certainly, it has been that spirit which inspired the creation of the Holy Cross Political Coalition to address the more extant problems. I first presented the idea of the Coalition to the student body in a letter which was published in The Crusader a year ago. This organization has worked for the benefit of all.

"Asking why?" was the call which Chris Brisanti made last year and which he has responsibly carried out. While it is necessary to continue to ask why of administration and faculty, I hope that we the students can ask ourselves "Why not?" — a stronger SGA which is a dynamic liaison between students and faculty. The greatest strength of Holy Cross lies in its students and it is through that student spirit and power that we will meet success. We can answer affirmatively to the question "why not?" to ourselves right now. The first step in the way the administration and faculty can measure our resolve and commitment to Holy Cross is by student participation in the SGA elections. My candidacy represents a career of commitment to students, whether it be on the lacrosse or football field or in founding the Political Coalition and the College Democrats. It is my greatest hope that each student will voice his or her opinion by voting on Feb. 5. Get out and vote for yourself and Holy Cross!

Alex Mikulich '84

Columns

Faculty unity is but an illusion

The beginning of the spring semester brings new signs of the continuing importance of the faculty. There is the President's action, with the support of the Board of Trustees, to overturn yet another CTP majority judgment on tenure and promotion. Faculty contracts are out, a reminder of how little we really know and have to say about the how and why of faculty salary determinations. Yet another phase of faculty discussion of distribution requirements begins, an issue that has been before us in one form or another almost continuously since 1976. And, during the Barland

Dr. Rogers Johnson

Acres session, there emerges a telling expression of concern about the faculty's loss of unity and collegiality. These signs all contribute to a stunning realization: nowhere is there to be heard the clear and authoritative voice of the faculty on matters of personal and educational policy for which we have a primary obligation and responsibility.

The faculty, as an entity in its own right, is an illusion.

Individual faculty send communications on an assortment of concerns to one administrator or another and to this committee or that, and departmental chairs talk individually with the Dean and/or the President on a range of personnel-related matters, but these are private exchanges, typically independent, although often far from unrelated, undertakings. They take place without benefit of any faculty-wide position or expectation, stated or unstated. Also, committees tend to function in relative isolation from the faculty and with an uncertain sense of their constituencies — the Committee on the Status of Women may be the singular exception. They are rarely part of any long-range faculty plan that is informed in turn by an institutional vision of our distinctive educational commitment.

Certainly all these activities are necessary and must continue, but at best they can resolve only the lesser difficulties that we encounter daily. Taken as a whole, these actions constitute a piecemeal, fragmented, severely scaled-down approach to significant faculty concerns and responsibilities. The result may be prudent, manageable tasks, but too often the truly important and pressing matters go unattended.

The consequences of this lack of a sustained exercise of faculty authority and expertise are serious, wide-spread and cumulative.

Many faculty, for example, now experience a variety of costs that, because of this situation, are not being adequately dealt with. Furthermore, these costs inevitably affect teaching, service, and scholarly performance. Junior faculty face an increasingly competitive struggle for tenure, "instructed" often by interpretations of statutory criteria that are arbitrary and mystifying. They must face, in addition, an annual review by a committee of student majors, by senior departmental colleagues and by the administration that is fast becoming an institutionalized obsession for all concerned. And all this happens in conjunction with the nagging suspicion that we, as the faculty, are still unable to bring sufficient reason, compassion and wisdom to bear upon this decision which is so crucial to both the candidates and the College.

Once tenured, many faculty face a new burden, the call to serve on eight major committees at once. This is apparently necessary because those faculty who have already been through the mill have begun to experience a form of "burnout" signalled by an increasing sense of frustration and/or depression. They find themselves spread too thinly over their committee assignments, and the cumulative weight of the service package begins to intrude upon teaching and research, the two activities that typically earned them tenure in the first place. The degeneration of service on major committees that one frequently hears is not the idle chatter of indifferent and complacent faculty, but the plaint of a frustrated and despairing one.

As a result, far too many faculty have turned away, seeking individual solutions as best they can. Some lose themselves in their teaching, others find an additional solace among small, scattered groups of faculty, and many bury themselves as fully as is possible in their research or other kinds of outside activities. These accommodations are "workable" at best and tend to become unduly one-sided and encapsulated accommodations to institutional pressures. The recent public recognition of the loss of collegiality is but a small sign of this larger problem. It should come as no surprise that faculty members so preoccupied and so cut off from one another, whether they are tuned-in or turned-off to the College, will find it virtually impossible to participate in initiatives that will leave a faculty imprint on the direction of College affairs.

If our persistent individual frustrations and our collective sense of a loss of faculty unity and solidarity are two major dimensions of faculty deterioration, the third is the decline of

faculty authority and leadership in those areas in which we have a primary obligation and responsibility. Where do we turn? What is to be done? First of all, we do not turn to the administration for leadership. Neither the President's remote control style of managerial paternalism nor the Dean's insistently one-dimensional approach to faculty affairs contributes materially to the faculty's vision of the liberal arts, to its role as a responsible and responsive constituency, or to the effective mobilization of its resources. If there is to be faculty leadership, it must come from within the faculty itself.

One step, simple in principle at least, is to designate a rank of "chief faculty officer" to be elected from our own ranks, directly accessible to all of us, thus assuring that the incumbent has *all* the faculty as his or her constituents. We presently have no position that even remotely approximates this kind of mandate for faculty leadership. For years, we have submitted to a form of administrative direction and guidance that has emphasized the contributions of individual faculty while playing down the role of an independent faculty organization and authorized to act in its own name. This mode no longer serves us well and a change is long due.

Election of faculty officers is a well-established practice in many colleges although the particular structures of authority and leadership can vary. In our case, for instance, we might move to create an elected position of faculty executive officer, or an elected faculty dean, or we might move to reassign the chair of the EPC to a faculty incumbent. In all cases, we should entertain the prospect of a four to six year term, to provide the strategic continuity that we now lack. No faculty can responsibly and imaginatively influence policy without healthy measures of both solidarity and leadership. The question is not whether we need faculty leadership, but how we are to achieve an effective and committed faculty leadership.

At the same time, there is every reason to believe that a concerted decision to promote and support leadership drawn from within our own ranks would begin to turn around our present condition of weakness and dependency. We can anticipate not only a more rapid return to collegiality but also an upswing in morale, policy initiative, and constructive dialogue and controversy. Who knows? We might actually, finally, gain in the process a Faculty Dining Room and Lounge, which would surely be a welcome sign that faculty unity and authority is on the mend.

Social Security needs a face-lift

It has been almost a month since the National Commission on Social Security Reform came to an agreement on what would be the best method for saving the Social Security System. The compromise package did solve one problem: it ended a political brawl that could have lasted months longer. However, it did not solve another problem: it did not bring about a permanent solution to the Social Security Program. Since the objective of the commission was to solve the Social Security di-

by Richard E. Hoff

lemma, it is obvious that the commission failed at its job.

The compromise might be considered a step in the right direction, but the changes are hardly earthshattering and they really do not address the problem. Yet some people are still outraged to have their benefits tampered with at all. However, as William F. Buckley pointed out, this compromise could have been "written by Claude Pepper. (D-Fla.)"

A defender of the present system may believe that Social Security is a right and something he or she worked for. Furthermore, anyone who comes out strongly against the system may be considered heartless; people may consider him or her the type of person who would let his own grandmother sleep in the cold as long as his principles remained intact. Nothing could be further from the truth. The people who want to see serious reform are the people who are genuinely concerned about the future of the elderly. People who do not want to change the system have trouble seeing past tomorrow.

There are two problems with believing that one gets out of the system what one puts in it. First, if one got out of the system only what one put in, then the average person's benefits would only last nineteen months. Second, in actuality the money that a worker puts into the program is immediately given to beneficiaries. Therefore, the money that a person puts into the system is spent long before that person is eligible to receive it.

A simple question can be asked that may change one's outlook on Social Security: who needs it? When the system was originally put into effect it appears that Congress felt it was necessary to provide for the nation's elderly. The proposers of the program failed to distinguish between the poor elderly and the more affluent elderly. By failing to make this distinction the country ends up supporting a lot of people who really do not need support. This turns into a rather complicated situation when people start to depend on Social Security for their retirement. It would be impossible to cut these people off, no matter how cruel you might be.

Those who instituted the program did not see the problems that it would cause. The Roosevelt administration estimated that in 1980 the program would cost \$1.3 billion dollars. In reality, the program cost \$102 billion. The problems are far more serious than the program's originators could imagine.

Now is the time to make some serious changes. The national median life expectancy is continuing to grow. This can only mean one thing: more and more beneficiaries. The program is going to need more money. The "Baby Boom" generation is now in its thirties, and as these people come closer to retire-

ment, it is going to be more difficult to cut their benefits.

The solution to the problem with Social Security is a very painful one. At best, it could be considered political suicide; for any statesman who comes out strongly against the present Social Security program is bound to be blackballed by his or her constituents. But the problems are greater than the risks and some people are going to have to be sacrificed in order to save the country.

Social Security, as it presently stands, should be phased out. The program should be switched so that only the poor elderly receive benefits. This should be done gradually so that those who put money into the program are not left out in the cold.

People who can provide for their own retirement should do so. Individual Retirement Accounts are one of the ways that this could be accomplished. The advantages of this go beyond the Social Security Program; if people are providing for their future, they are also investing in America.

Those who receive benefits should receive them at a later age. Once the program takes full effect (which will not be for quite a few years), the beneficiaries should receive only minimal payments. Their benefits should be similar to welfare benefits. This will be a significant reduction from what the contributors presently pay.

The process I have described would be long and painful. But in the end it would reward savings and would not leave anyone out in the cold. Apparently, this was the original objective of Social Security. Failure to separate the needy elderly from the just-plain elderly has left us in a mess from which we may never get out.

Off the Cuff

Next week is Senior Week at Holy Cross, and as seniors plunge into the second semester, they look back at their friends and experiences at Holy Cross with mixed memories and recollections.

Question: "Who or what experience do you consider the most influential in your four years at Holy Cross?"

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Bill Roberts: "Robert Healey ... of the theater arts department ... who has taken me and guided me along a path that I think has developed my acting skills ... towards the future and has really put my act together and helped me a great deal."



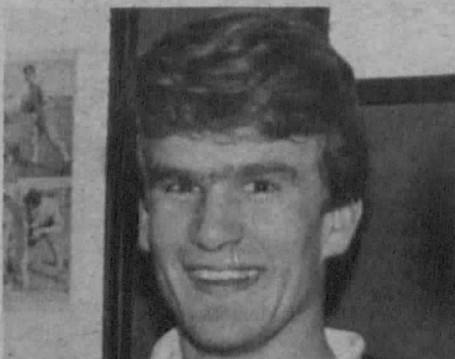
Kathy Troidle: "The installation of 16 oz. beers in the pub. Scratch that! My father reads this!"

Mo Tinsley: "The pub."



Stephen Kane: "Playing with Na' Zdrowie has to be the most influential and fantastic thing I have ever done at Holy Cross."

Molly Geaney: "Xeno's song 'Cross Girls.'"



John McNiff: "Bill Supple was the most influential person in my four years at HC ... he was my RA when I was a freshman."

Maureen Millard: "Living under the same roof as Alan (I'll do anything for a buck) Colby ... he's taught me the value of the dollar."



Joanne Golden: "Being a 'head sponge' and getting a nice room without any responsibilities!"

Ann Carroll: "Father Markey, when he kicked all my friends from home off campus my freshman year."

Bev Wedda: "Having 'WWWEDDAAAA' in the Crusader Classifieds every week!"

A Socialist dispels myths about activists

By FRANC CARON
Features Editor

For many people, the word "socialism" automatically implies descriptions like utopian, radical, or revolutionary. Activists who admit to ties with a socialist organization are thought of as idealists, romantics, or even fascists in disguise. However, in a very informative discussion last Friday afternoon, Penny Schantz, chairman of the Youth Section of the Democratic Socialists of America, addressed and dispelled many of these misconceptions:

"We do not believe that the 'Revolution' is going to happen Thursday at 9:00. But we do believe that things in this country are fundamentally unjust and that we can implement change."

Among the unjust policies and conditions of the American government, Schantz cited the cuts in social security, the continued cuts in student financial aid, the highest unemployment rate since the 1930s and the total lack of social responsibility in American big business.

"Why should education be a privilege and not a basic right?" she asked. And further, "Why should senior citizens have to ask themselves if they can afford this operation? Why should the economy dictate what you can or cannot do with your life?"

Schantz stressed that all of these questions need to be considered and people should be conscious of the fact that the status quo is not the only option. She pointed out that the students on any campus form a "critical constitu-

ency" and a viable political force, but she also noted one of the most serious problems with college activism:

"The main thing characterizing student politics today is the fragmented nature of the student union groups on the campus. These groups can't win their particular goals by do-

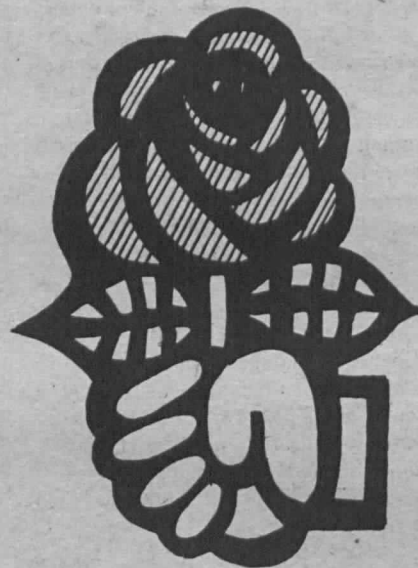
ing it alone. None of these groups is large enough or cohesive enough to radically change the nature of politics. They need to be in coalition."

Another observation on the student political scene concerned the distinction between today's activists and those of the sixties. Schantz said that she encountered on almost every campus a "romanticism" of the 1960s. Many people tell her that if they had been born 15 years earlier, they would have gotten involved then, but that there is no point in protesting today.

Schantz, however, noted that "the students acting on these issues today are more serious about their commitment. They are not screaming and yelling for the hell of it but for getting something done. You may not even see things change in your own lifetime but that doesn't mean that things can't change."

She added that many "radicals" of the 1960s wouldn't touch electoral politics, whereas activists today believe that serious change can only come about while working within existing institutions. Politics today is a matter of getting people in positions where they can have the most impact.

Finally, Schantz mentioned that the Democratic Socialists of America are not a third political party but an organization which initiated social consciousness in a constructive attitude. "As a member of the DSA, I can't separate socialism from democracy. I don't expect a heaven on earth — I want a better earth."



The official symbol of the Democratic Socialists of America.

Senior Week stresses interaction

The schedule of events has been announced for this year's Senior Week including, in addition to the traditional senior play this Friday and the 100 Days Banquet, a senior-faculty Sports Night and Reception.

Patrice Keegan '83, co-chairperson of the Senior Association, said that she would "like to see a lot of senior/faculty interaction because many faculty were upset that at the Senior Weekend last semester, all the socializing was done by and among the seniors."

Patrick Dolan '83 added that this week will be "academic in the sense that we are trying to involve the faculty, but it will also try to be fun for the seniors."

The Senior Association also planned this week around Cross and Scroll speaker Tom Jackson. Jackson is an internationally acclaimed authority on Career Planning and Job Finding, and is the author of four books in the field. Schedule includes:

Monday:

Senior-Faculty Sports Night 6-9 p.m. Hart Center, Feb. 14 (basketball, swim races, broomball hockey etc.) followed by a showing of the slides from Senior Weekend in the 1843 Room 10-12 p.m.

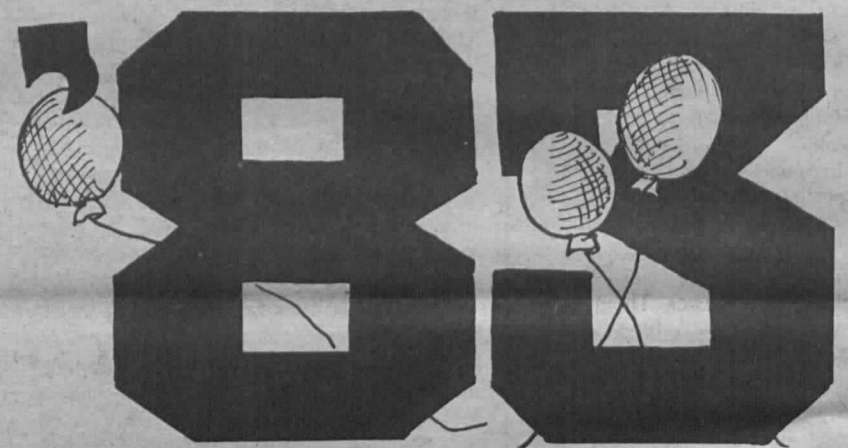
Thursday:

Senior-Faculty Reception. An informal reception will be held in the 1843 Room. Refreshments will be served 4-6 p.m.

Tom Jackson: Guerilla Tactics in the Job Market. Hogan Ballroom.

Friday:

100 Days Banquet — sponsored by Purple Key and held in the Ballroom of Hogan at 6 p.m.



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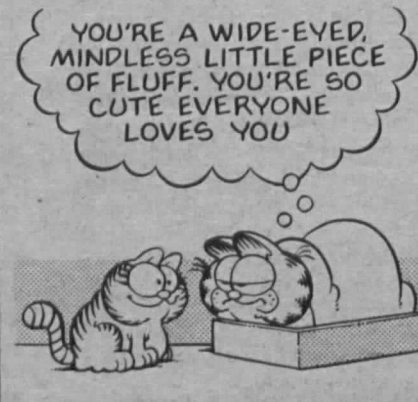
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My Fair Lady comes alive as distinguished theatre

Play is always praiseworthy

By MARY BARLETTA
Features Staff

With a dab of cockney and a dash of aristocratic English, an outstanding cast succeeded in making the Senior Class production of *My Fair Lady* both fast-paced and memorable. The actors and actresses in the leading and the supporting roles could not have been more accurately cast.

While many performances were excellent, several characterizations stood out from among the others. Brendon Swords, as the chauvinistic professor of phonetics, Henry Higgins, brought just the right mix of despicable haughtiness, condescending congeniality and reserved sensitivity to the part. Although Swords sported a strong appealing voice, the orchestra, at times, did overpower him, making it difficult to understand his lyrics.

Eliza Doolittle, the flower girl who rose from her cockney roots to take her place in English aristocratic circles under the guidance of Higgins, was effectively and adeptly portrayed by Kathleen Senior who convincingly mastered the difficult cockney accent associated with her character. Throughout her performance, Senior's use of facial expressions and her total stage presence exemplified a high degree of professionalism. Her singing voice was both strong and pleasant.

An admirable, refined and sometimes comic performance by Paul Cuneen as Colonel Pickering provided the perfect foil for Swords' brash portrayal of Higgins. Also notable were the performances of Anthony DiStefano as Eliza's father, Alfred, whose loud, boisterous singing and carousing excited the audience, and Paul Houghtaling whose vocal performance as Freddy Eynsford-Hill, the doting suitor of Eliza, was superb.

The supporting cast of assorted servants, cockneys and aristocrats was, for the most part, very good. Especially enjoyable were the performances of the Costermongers, Kevin Buckley, Ray Dewer, Thomas David Carey and Walter Wilkins, who accompanied Kathleen Senior with their rousing and rowdy singing and dancing in the number "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?"

Considering the small size of the stage in Hogan Ballroom, the choreography was well-synchronized and well executed throughout most of the play. The stage did appear crowded, however, during the Embassy Ballroom scene where there seemed to be too many people moving on the stage at one time.

From the audience's point of view, it was difficult to distinguish between the dancers and the sweeping movements of the black and white skirts. Surprisingly though, the best bit of choreography came during the song "Get Me To The Church On Time," when practically the whole cast was on stage. In contrast to the Embassy scene, the stage was alive with bright, colored costumes and distinct action. The timing of the upbeat, lively number seemed perfect, with every bit of the stage effectively utilized.

The technical aspects of the play such as lighting and sound worked well, and the props, especially Higgins' study, were convincing. Particularly enjoyable was the orchestra, under the direction of Bruce Miller, who effectively set the tone and pace of the



Tony DiStefano as Alfred Doolittle and Richard Canedo as Harry in *My Fair Lady*.

musical.

Once again the Senior Class has utilized all of its resources to produce a praiseworthy and distinguished theatrical event.

Despite initial problems, success

By MICHAEL HINKLEY
and
CHRISTOPHER PIRON

The opening performance of the senior class play, *My Fair Lady*, scheduled for Wednesday, was cancelled because of Monday's snowstorm, which left Worcester under 15 inches of snow.

The performance was cancelled because the members of the orchestra, many of whom live in Boston, could not attend the Monday dress rehearsal. The cast wanted to run through the play at least once with the orchestra before the opening show. Because of this, the performance had to be pushed back a day.

This year there was some controversy as to the selection of the play. In previous years, the selection consisted of a ballot listing five

plays, from which each senior would choose his favorite. Then they would select the director. Finally, seniors would vote on the five plays the director would feel comfortable directing.

This year, however, the Steering Committee in charge of the balloting sent out a list of the five plays before the director was even selected. This action was contrary to the Student Constitution. Mr. Bruce Miller, director of choral activities was selected to be the director. *My Fair Lady*, however, was not Miller's first, second, or third choice.

This year's play, written by Alan Jay Lerner with music by Frederick Lowe, is based on George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*. The musical tells the story of Eliza Doolittle (Katie Senior) and her prolocutor, Professor Henry Higgins (Brendan Swords), who grows to love his young student. The musical also features the omnipresent Colonel Pickering (Paul Cuneen); the father of Eliza, Alfred P. Doolittle (Anthony DiStefano); and Freddie Eynsford-Hill (Paul Houghtaling), who seeks Eliza's hand in marriage.

The remaining cast of principals and others with speaking parts bring the total cast to thirty-seven seniors. Miller said he believes "people won't be just entertained but surprised at the talent." He said the whole cast is fantastic and to single out just one person would downplay the remaining cast members.

The concert master for *My Fair Lady* is John B. Little III, assistant professor of mathematics. The orchestra includes twenty Holy Cross members, both students and Holy Cross personnel.

This year, the total budget of the musical will be \$14,000. The Student Government Association donated \$2,500, up from \$2,300 a year ago. In addition, there has been an increase in the ticket price to \$4.50, and an extra matinee on Feb. 13. The added performance comes as a response to last year's crunch on tickets.

The inflated budget is due to the large cast and ornate costumes and expensive sets. Miller tried to put it into perspective when he said, "You have to be literal with *My Fair Lady*, over *West Side Story* (last year's play)."

Miller is extremely pleased with the cast and what they have done, and he looks forward to a fine series of performances.

College theatre is alive, well for young actors

By KENNETH HAPPE
Special to the Crusader

A visit to another college either to see the faculty or meet the faculty is always instructive whether it be about a swimming pool, curricular reform or, in this case, a play.

Mt. Wachusett Community College in Gardner is about 45 minutes north of Holy Cross and is less than 10 years old, yet it boasts the most up-to-date theater facility in Worcester County.

The Mount Players, as the campus theater group is called there, are currently presenting a four performance run of Paul Osborn's *Morning's at Seven*, a gentle and genial American comedy from 1939. A recent Broadway revival garnered rave reviews and a relatively healthy run, although a similarly praised National tour collapsed in Boston last season to the dismay of the critics. Possibly, Bostonians were boycotting a simple and sentimental family show at \$30+ prices. On the other hand, charm and chuckles may not be enough for the folks with the megabucks, who are fast becoming the only ones able to afford equity ticket gouging. Give the expense account-types flash and splash.

Morning's is set in the adjacent backyards of the three Gibbs sisters in some unidentified small town, presumably in the mid-west, despite the Mount Players sometimes heavy New England accents. There are actually four sisters - one, Esther (Ivy Weis) lives in a better neighborhood with her condescending husband, a retired college professor who thinks everyone, including his college president and especially his sisters-in-law, are morons.

The plot is minimal: will Homer (Gregg Nyman), a home-loving nephew, finally marry Myrtle (Donna Lajoie) after going with her for twelve years? Will Cora (Laura Koski) ever get her own home free from Aaronetta (Jeanie Theoharis), her unmarried busy-body sister she has hated for years? Will this arrogant Aarie's guilty secret ever be revealed?

A one sentence summary sounds all to soap-opery-sorry, daytime-drama-y, yet in the two and a half hours traffic on Wachusett stage, the audience begins to care for these all-too-human, slightly wacky, imperfect people and their wrong turns taken, their loves lost or near lost, their lives of sometimes quiet desperation.

This nostalgic 24 hour glimpse into the relatively uneventful pre-WW II fates of four farm girls may strike some as almost scaled-down Americanized Chekhov with its understated themes, autumnal moods and leisurely tempi. But here there are no melodramatic Russian pistol shots, omnipresent doctors, soldiers, travellers with luggage (just one piece for a very short journey), or even violent emotions.

But there are the undercurrents of intricate relationships and tangled lives of people who speak sharply to each other and don't mean it, who don't know where they are or how they got there, who are possessed by a logic which sometimes surpasses all understanding.

Not easy stuff, especially for a college age cast who are asked to depict the over-60s blues with more than a blue rinse. 75 percent of the characters are senior citizens and this is a real challenge to young actors.

Director Melanie Gallo, long-time theater



The four Gibbs sisters from Osborn's *Morning's at Seven*.

instructor at Fitchburg High, moved her actors generally smoothly over the fallen leaves strewn about the bare stage floor, although for some unfathomable reason she frequently kept turning one actress directly upstage in an unflattering position as if seeking a very cheap laugh. Some actors must learn when to say "no" to some directors. Another actress occasionally lost her concentration on stage and could be seen staring into the audience as if looking for friends or counting the house, which numbered about 300 or half of capacity. Finally, one performer seemed to be enjoying her performance more than the audience - a danger every college and community actor has to fight against.

Some further quibbles: more music from the 30s before and after the show and during the two intermissions would have helped the audience adjust to the time-slot of the play since the program gives no clue to the time, place or scene-breakdown of the show.

These few opening week kinks should be worked out by the final performance this Friday and Saturday, at 8 p.m. on the strikingly modern Mt. Wachusett campus. There are special student priced tickets to see this underappreciated little play whose old-fashioned virtues shine through despite the frailties of some of the performances. Many could learn from *Morning's at Seven*.

Thriller explores genres

By BRIAN KANE

Assistant Features Editor

If Michael Jackson, Eddie Van Halen, Paul McCartney and Vincent Price joined talents to create an album, it would seemingly result in "Solid Lead" instead of "Solid Gold," and would soon be lost in Bargain Bins of second hand record stores. But in Jackson's newest album, *Thriller*, released in late 1982, Jackson bravely joins forces with each of these performers and creates new sounds and explores new areas away from his formerly jive-dance genre. Jackson's results are favorable: there are, of course, some singles which approach solid lead, but many parts of the album are near platinum.

The most remarkable and vibrant song on *Thriller* is "Beat It," where Eddie Van Halen of the brothers Van Halen jams in a guitar solo in the middle of the tune. The song has filtered its way onto both rock and soul stations, a praiseworthy achievement for Jackson, whose former sounds from *Off the Wall* and *Triumph* kept him within the popular and soul categories. "Beat It" sounds more rock and less soul than any other previously released Jackson song. Perhaps Jackson is paving the way for a new day where rock will merge with soul.

"Wanna Be Startin' Something" is a hang-over from Jackson's *Off the Wall* days, marked by a fun, energetic but repetitious sound. Despite the catchy beat and Jackson's "Ow's!" and "Ooohs," the song would be tiresome on the dance floor. The tune ends with a long repetition of uninterpretable nonsense phrases, like sound effects from an Atari video cartridge.

Moving from this typical light and carefree Jacksonian sound, "Billie Jean" is an entirely new tone. This song emits a warm, nearly erotic nature, reinforced by a sneaky, forbidding bass line. "Billie Jean's" suggestive



Released late in 1982, *Thriller* is Michael Jackson's newest musical venture.

overtone evolve partly from its lyrics, which are rumored to be related to a paternity suit that Jackson is currently involved in:

*Billie Jean is not my lover
She's just a girl who says
that I am the one
But the kid is not my son.*

"Billie Jean's" instrumentation supports the troubled, problematic nature of the song and synthesizers are used exactly and effectively.

In a much lighter subject matter, Jackson joins forces with Paul McCartney on "The Girl is Mine," and the two produce what is far below the potential of such talented musicians. The song is silly. The two bicker over the possession of a girl, as if she were a piece of merchandise, and slip into a "cutesy" spoken dialogue at the song's end. The entire production is tacky, despite its popularity earlier this year, and even the instrumentation is none too thrilling.

The album's title cut is also disappointing. "Thriller" perhaps should be retitled "Chiller;" the first time I heard it at home, alone at night, I was scared by the coyote howls, squeaking doors and footsteps throughout the song. The beat has Jackson's traditional vibrancy and catchiness, but the song wanders without ever getting anywhere, except to Vincent Price's voice threatening of "the grizzly goons from every tomb (who) are closing in to seal your doom," among other things. Price plunges into a horrible laugh as the music ends, which would send chills up even the grizzliest goon's spine.

It is unfortunate that Jackson has to resort to the spoken word, when he can produce songs with the lyrics as beautiful as those in "Human Nature," one of the best cuts off the album. The lyrics alone are poetry, and when set to the magical, dreamy music of the song, the listener becomes Michael Jackson viewing the

city at night:

*Looking out across the nighttime
The City winks a sleepless eye,
Hear her voice shake my window,
Sweet seducing sights*

*Get me out into the nighttime,
Four walls won't hold me tonight
If this town is just an apple,
Then let me take a bite.*

The metaphor of the city as a seductive temptress is fascinating, and "Human Nature" plays well upon the sight of a sparkling, beckoning city at night.

If "Human Nature" is Jackson's new direction, and if he continues to blend and even create several new genres, the twenty-four year old musician will yet remain at the top of soul, pop and perhaps even rock charts in the future.

Entertainment this week

On Jan. 25 the Worcester Art Museum opened a small exhibition of prints in the Milles Fountain which focuses on the recent acquisition, "Portrait of Fernande Oliver" by Pablo Picasso. The Worcester Art Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For further information call the Museum at 799-4406.

Eugene O'Neill's powerful drama, *A Moon for the Misbegotten*, opens a five-week engagement at the Lyric Stage Theatre on the Hill, 54 Charles Street, Boston. Eugene O'Neill's personal family life was a tortured and bitter one, but out of his pain and his love for his elder brother, O'Neill created a masterpiece. *A Moon for the Misbegotten* is a powerful tale of two people striving to find love during a night of confrontation, and how the compassion of one enables the other to find peace and salvation. *A Moon for the Misbegotten* is now playing through March 13. Performances are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 5:00 and 8:30 p.m.; and Sundays at 3 p.m. Telephone 742-8703 for reservations.

The Trinity Square Repertory Company presents *Translations* by Brian Friel, a passion-charged Irish drama, hailed one of the Ten Best Plays of 1981. The play opens Feb. 11 and runs until March 27. For more information phone 401-521-1100.

The joyous musical *Godspell* is obeying its own maxim, couched in the song "Turn Back O Man," by returning to Boston for a five-week engagement at the Charles Playhouse. Performance time will be Tuesday through Saturday evening at 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. and Sunday evenings at 7 p.m.

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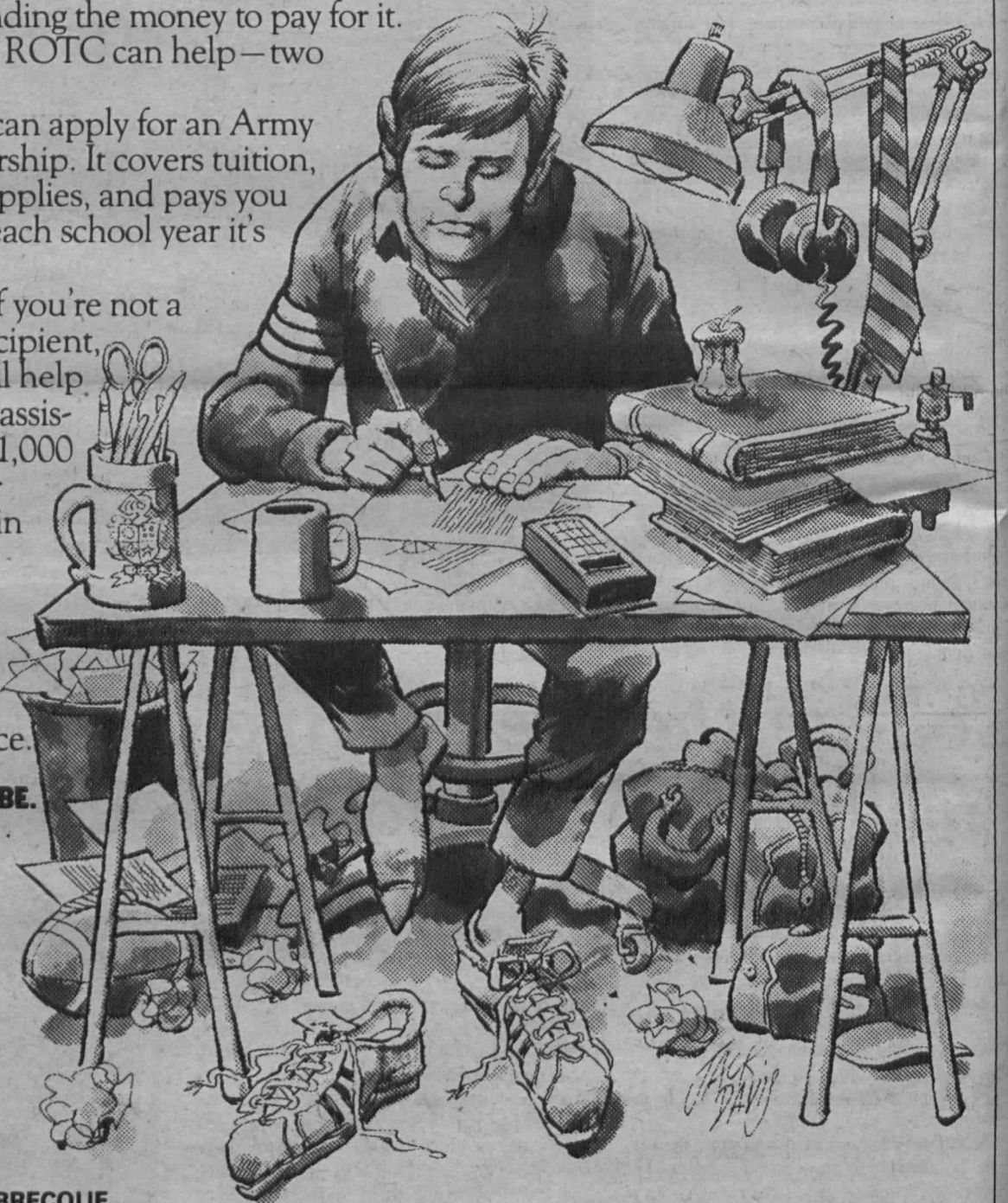
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Sports

Lady hoopsters dump Adelphi

By JIM O'REILLY
Sports Editor

The Lady Crusaders basketball team rode junior forward Sherry Levin's 10 for 16 shooting and 24 points to an 81-45 victory over Adelphi University Tuesday night in the Hart Center. Levin was also a perfect four for four from the line and pulled down six rebounds for the Sadlers, whose slate now stands at 13-4. The Ladies will host national power Montclair State of New Jersey tonight in the Hart Center at 7:00 p.m.

"We had a little letdown in the first half," commented Head Coach Togo Palazzi, "but we came out in the second half with a total team effort and just played our type of ballgame." That they did, as the Crusaders, leading by nine at half-time, outscored Adelphi 47-20 in the second half.

Holy Cross played the game without the services of junior center Phyllis Townsend. The 6'2" Townsend broke a small bone in her foot in the Crusaders' 77-69 win over Boston University last Saturday. According to Palazzi, he should know today what her status will be for the remainder of the HC schedule.

The BU win was a big one for the Cross as the Terriers, 9-13 but always Division I frontrunners, may not have been expecting the total team effort of the Crusaders. "Phyllis (Townsend) was just immense,"

noted Palazzi. "She was scoring, rebounding, just doing everything. We just played our game."

The Sadlers also lost the services of freshman Sue Love who will probably be out for the remainder of the season with a broken wrist. In addition, senior guard Mary Fitzgerald has only been able to play short periods at a time because of a recurring back injury. All of this comes with Holy Cross facing the toughest part of its schedule with Montclair State, New Hampshire, and St. Anselm's — all top-flight opponents.

"These next two games will be our biggest," observed Palazzi. "Here's where we'll learn the meaning of words like character and togetherness and self worth, and, of course, guts."

Palazzi also had praise for freshman forward Jean Marie Buckley, who chipped in against Adelphi with a solid 14 points and 11 rebounds, and guard Karen Gurtchfield '85, who Palazzi labeled "our best defensive player as well as our assist leader."

Palazzi also noted that his freshman "have been helping out a lot", and in particular mentioned Janet Hourihan '86 whose 20 points and 10 rebounds against Adelphi are typical of the kind of games she's been putting together lately. According to Palazzi, if the Lady Crusaders take their next three games, they'll

be in good shape for a post-season playoff berth.

"I'm not quite sure how that will work," said Palazzi, referring to the new division his Crusaders have moved up into, "but I know we've got to stick together and play our game."

Swordsmen
skeweredBy KEVIN KENNEDY
Sports Staff

Stabbed. There was no blood, but the result proved the same. The Holy Cross fencers, battling seasoned opposition from Hunter College and M.I.T., fell under the blade: 15-12, 18-9, respectively for the men, 12-4, 12-4 for the women.

Captain Matt Kearsy '83 lead his foil troops — Matt Keating '86 and Keats Boyd '83 — in a vain hunt against the New York City Hawks, winning all nine of their bouts. Kearsy's heroics versus the Engineers earned him two wins against one loss. Saber commander Derek Brugman '84 clawed his way to two victories along with his foiling comrad. But it was not to be. The loss of Bob Leonard's '84 skilled epee arm to tendonitis helped spell defeat for the Crusaders in Boston.

The women, despite their near-perfect triumph over Fairfield University the week before, couldn't stand their ground against well-armed opponents. They, along with the men's legion, are looking to avenge Saturday's rout against Trinity tomorrow.

Trinity will also be the scene of March 26 Men's New England Championships, in which the top six fighters from each school meet to snatch the laurels for themselves and their teams. Last year found the Crusaders in an admirable fourth place out of thirteen. The pinnacle of the women's season comes a week later, at a sight to be soon announced.

Pennings

On the
way backBy JIM O'REILLY
Sports Editor

From Coney Island Hot Dogs to Mechanics Hall to Holy Cross, Worcester is a city rich in tradition. The problem is, nobody ever bothers to see it. It's easy to dismiss the city as a depressing collection of triple-deckers, seedy bars, and burnt out warehouses, but behind that is a lot more. One part of the tradition of Worcester is sports. Whether it be a prideful following of Crusader football fans or a crowd at Herbies discussing their city league softball championship, Worcester is full of sports-minded people.

A great part of the sports tradition of Worcester is Holy Cross. The Crusaders, through good times and bad, have always enjoyed a large following of Worcester fans. People with absolutely no affiliation with the College at all are able to quote Ronnie Perry's career free throw percentage and Andy Clivio's total yardage simply because they love the school and its sports and take pride in being an avid rooter. Take away the local fans and a school of 2500 just wouldn't be packing 'em in.

But too often Worcester is knocked because of the hard times it's been having in recent years. Ask an HC student what the worst part of the school is and many times he'll say it's the location. But considering all that the people of the city have done for the school, the criticism is unmerited. The loyalty of Worcester fans, especially in the Hart Center, has won many a game for the Crusaders. That's why it's great to see the city bouncing back.

The addition of the Centrum to downtown Worcester does more than just give Holy Cross a large scale arena for big name competition. It also provides Worcester itself an opportunity for big time sports and, with it, increased revenue for the city. The World Middleweight Championship fight between Marvelous Marvin Hagler of Brockton and England's Tony Sibson is just one example. The lowest priced ticket for tonight's bout is \$20.00, yet the fight sold out almost immediately. Aside from the revenue generated from the fight, the Centrum and the city received major exposure last week from a national cable network, ESPN, when they came to Worcester to broadcast Friday night fights in the Centrum featuring Hagler's half-brother Robbie Simms. One good thing led to another.

The possibility of a major league sports team coming to Worcester also exists now. The Bruins have shown interest in locating a minor league hockey team at the Centrum, and the chances of seeing some Celtic home games scheduled there soon are good. This all spells out a resurgence of sports in Worcester, as well as more profits for a city which badly needs them.

This weekend's heavy sports schedule will undoubtedly attract a large number of fans from Worcester to the HC contests. Take a look around during a timeout or between periods, — notice all of them, and then next time you're tempted to put down the city for any reason, remember that their loyalty, often unnoticed, has done a lot for the Crusader sports teams and for the school as a whole...

Former Crusader football captain and defensive end John Andreoli started tryouts last week with the Boston Breakers of the new United States Football League, in Orlando, Fla. As of this writing, Andreoli was still alive... Congratulations to senior forward and captain Chris Logan for being named ECAC North-Atlantic Player-of-the-Week. It's about time that somebody noticed the impressive numbers, as well as the leadership, that he's been providing for this year's Sader hoop squad... The answer to last week's trivia question on the only college basketball team beside Holy Cross and LaSalle to win an NCAA championship and an NIT championship is: Kentucky, Indiana, Marquette, San Francisco, Louisville, Utah, North Carolina, and CCNY. This week's question: Who is the only man to ever win a state high school basketball championship, an NCAA basketball championship, an Olympic gold medal in hoops, and an NBA title? Hint: His alma mater was on this year's Holy Cross hoop schedule. A free Zamboni ride with Danny Lawrence in the Hart Center for anybody who gets this one...



Freshman forward Jean Marie Buckley goes in for a layup in the Lady Sadlers 81-45 win over Adelphi on Tuesday night. Buckley finished the game with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Pucksters plod through two wins

By SEAN BURKE
Sports Staff

Up until last week, the Crusaders' aggressive, forechecking style had produced a sparkling 15-6-2 record and cheering crowds both home and away. This past week however, Holy Cross did things a little differently.

While the pucksters continued their winning ways, beating both Amherst and American International by 7-6 scores, they were not their usual, hustling selves. Going into each game, HC was overwhelmingly favored to beat up on a patsy. Amherst plays Division III hockey and AIC is the doormat of Division II. But both times the Purple walked away just glad to have avoided a loss.

"We knew before each game that we shouldn't lose," said Head Coach Peter Van Burskirk. "But we lacked 60 minutes of aggressive play. These were very frustrating victories."

The frustration began on Feb. 3 at Amherst. There the Crusaders fell behind quickly 2-0 in the first period and closed it out trailing 3-1. In the second period, realizing the Lord Jeffs were not as bad as their name indicated, HC got back into the game. At 7:03 of the period, defenseman Hugh Curran '84 scored. Nineteen seconds later, off the face-off, senior defenseman Chris Brown tallied, tying the score at 3. At 18:26 of the period defenseman Matt

Muniz '86 tied the game again at 5-5. In the third period the Crusaders put Amherst's upset hopes to rest with goals from forwards Joe Lunny '86 and Jerry DeLeo '86.

"They came out skating harder than us in the first period," said Van Burskirk. "And then we responded in the second period. It wasn't anything physical. We just didn't have a great deal of intensity."

They almost fell into the same trap two days later, against the Yellow Jackets of AIC. In the middle of the second period the Crusaders found themselves on the short end of a 4-2 score. Then thanks to penalties on both sides, both teams were reduced to three men. Here, HC exploited its talent advantage and scored. Later on in the period the Purple took the lead on a Mike Coan '83 goal and they never trailed again.

Neither game was a defensive struggle for HC, and Van Burskirk chalked that up to the team's lapse in concentration. But he isn't troubled.

He says his team is only as good as its defense, and over the long haul it has been good. And he expects their concentration to be very keen when they face national champion Lowell tomorrow at the Hart Center.

"We didn't play well and we still won both games," he said. "I think that's a good indicator that we're a good team."

There's no doubt Van Burskirk is right. After stellar performances at the Teapot tourney, the Crusaders were bound to have a letdown. Now Van Burskirk is out to maintain the Purple's number three New England ranking in Division II.

In Lowell the Crusaders will have many reasons to be intense. Lowell Head Coach Bill Riley has turned just a spot on a map into a two time NCAA Division II champion. In fact, Riley has made his Chiefs so strong that they are beating Division I powers like Bowling Green and Boston College with ease.

After narrowly losing to Lowell 5-4 in the finals of the Teapot, Van Burskirk knows they will be ready for HC. So there are a few things he wants to do in order to stop the Chiefs.

First he wants to avoid Lowell power play situations at all costs. Whenever the Chiefs have the chance to break away with their superior talent, HC is in trouble.

"We want 5 on 5 as long as possible," he said, "even more than a 3 on 3 situation."

He also hopes his Crusaders can respond to quick changes on the ice. For Van Burskirk that means strong forechecking and smart, aggressive defense.

As for offense, he knows he has a "number of individuals who can get goals," namely DeLeo, Lunny, Brown and forward Owen Dugan '83.

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Harriers hurry by field in City Championships

By TOM DEHN
Sports Staff

After being beaten badly by host Bates last Friday, the Holy Cross Men's Varsity Track Team made a respectable showing at Harvard

Sunday, and went on to win the Worcester Championship here on Wednesday.

At the Bates meet, the Crusaders were crushed by the hosts 92-47. HC's point total, however, was

enough to nip Bentley (which collected 44 points) for second place in this three-team event.

When asked to remark about the high points of the meet, Coach Jim Kavanagh said simply, "There weren't too many highlights at Bates." Nevertheless, Kavanagh was impressed with a few fine individual performances. Among them was the high-jumping of David Grain '84, whose jump of 6'6" earned him first place in that category, and who already qualified for the Easterns, to be held this Friday and Saturday at Southern Connecticut.

Henri Scott '86, with a time of 22.4 seconds in the 200-meter event, earned a first place finish, while also setting a track record and qualifying him for the outdoor New England; Bill Silk '83, who ran the 3000-meters in 8:47, only two seconds shy of qualifying for the Easterns; and Miguel Cristobal '84, who

came in fourth in the shotput at 41'4", a personal two-foot improvement.

But Bates had strength in numbers. "We don't have any depth," explained Kavanagh, "and that's what killed us at Bates." He noted that despite the fine individual performances listed above, Bates was able to consistently pick up points with third and fourth place finishes by their "second-string" competitors.

On the other hand, Kavanagh considered last Sunday's Greater Boston Track Club meet at Harvard much more of a success. In the event that the coach described as "the only reason we went to the meet", the mile relay team of Scott, Mark Moschella '86 (who ran the fastest quarter of the four with a time of 50.9 seconds), Gary Quinlan '84, and Barry Kolano '84 ran the race in 3:26.0, qualifying

them for the Easterns.

The strongest showing of the week, however, was in the Worcester City Championships, in which Holy Cross easily defeated their nearest challenger, WPI, by a score of 85-57. Among the first place finishers for HC were: Bill Polk '86 who won the pole vault at 13'0"; Henri Pierre-Jacques '85, with a triple jump of 41'4"; Quinlan, whose time of 6.5 seconds in the 55 meter dash is excellent for the fieldhouse facilities; and Kolano, who ran his fastest time of the season in the 500 meter run - 1:09. Finally, in what Coach Kavanagh called, "the strongest individual event of the day," Bill Craig '83, Silk, and Ken Colliton '84 finished first, second, and third respectively in the 3000 meter run.

Clark University ended up with 15 points for the day, while Worcester State finished with 11.

Ramblings

By KEITH RYZEWICZ
Assistant Sports Editor

I feel that, as a member of the Crusader sports staff, it is my solemn duty to keep you informed on the sports world beyond Mount St. James. So, after some extensive research, I've come up with the answers to some of the more pressing questions I've been asked recently.

How did the Redskins get into the Super Bowl, much less win it?

Despite the antics of old friends Ed Garvey and Gene Upshaw (my co-nominees for the Most Annoying Persons of 1982, who caused a ridiculous eight-week strike among the NFL players) the Redskins fully deserved to be champions. They played superb football under Coach of the Year Joe Gibbs, losing only once (Dallas) and probably would have won in a full-length schedule. But, frankly, I'm glad the season is over. The Skins have more nicknames than the Harlem Globetrotters and I was getting a little tired of hearing about the Hogs, Smurfs, Fun Bunch and Riginomics.

Quick note on the upcoming draft. I hope the Pats can swing a deal for John Elway. He's an almost certain star, if he decides to play football, and given the choice between Elway and Herschel Walker, I'd take Elway. He's that good.

What's wrong with the Celtics?

Nothing really. Philadelphia is just playing that much better, and you get the feeling that the Sixers may just be unstoppable this year. They have been close so many times but have never won the whole ball of wax. The combination of the great talent of their main five and their intense desire to finally get Julius Erving his championship may be too much for both the Celtics and the Lakers.

Boston may have the deepest team in NBA history, legitimately going twelve deep. But there is only so much playing time to divvy up, which is creating problems. If the Celtics can get a stable eight or nine man rotation established, however, and avoid an early-round upset in the playoffs, consider two things about the inevitable Boston-Philly war: 1) As good as Moses Malone is, he has nothing on Robert Parish in a head-to-head matchup. 2) With Danny Ainge, Quinn Buckner, Gerald Henderson, Charles Bradley, and M.L. Carr, the Celtics are better equipped than ever to at least slow down Celtic Killer extraordinaire, Andrew Toney.

How come Robert Parish finished fourth in the all-star balloting? Is he having a bad year?

No, the Chief is having a fine year. All-star balloting is always a big joke, purely a popularity contest. I'm surprised Larry Kenon isn't starting.

Here's one man's all-star team — not necessarily the guys having the best years or the best talents (though in most cases, they are), but the five players I'd most like to have on the floor at the same time.

First team: F Larry Bird, Boston and Buck Williams, New Jersey
C Moses Malone, Philadelphia
G Magic Johnson, Los Angeles and Sidney Moncrief, Milwaukee

Second team: F Julius Erving, Philadelphia and Dan Roundfield, Atlanta
C Robert Parish, Boston

G Maurice Cheeks, Philadelphia and Jim Paxson, Portland
Three players I hated to leave off: Norm Nixon, Los Angeles, Jack Sikma, Seattle and Kevin McHale, Boston.

Two stars I didn't think twice about leaving off: George (I Got My Average, Who Won) Gervin, San Antonio and Reggie (It's My Ball, You Can't Have It) Theus, Chicago.

Do the Red Sox have a shot this year? Did they pick up any starting pitching?

Silly question. You don't need a college education to figure that one out. Coming to Boston are Doug Bird and Brian Kingman, not the makings of a powerful staff. Gone are Chuck Rainey, off to Wrigley Field and the New Tradition (he must have been in the Phillies organization at some time) and yes, finally, Mike Torrez, who is headed for the Mets. Taco's stay in Boston was not a pleasant one. You could give him the ball every fourth or fifth day. Problem was that he'd get hammered every eighth or tenth day.

Looks like pitching is again a question mark for Ralph Houk's club. But that's been the tradition since World War I, with the possible exception of 1976, when the Sox went into the season with a Big Four of Luis Tiant, Bill Lee, Rick Wise, and Ferguson Jenkins and promptly fell apart, barely finishing above .500.

There's something to be said for being close every year, even if it does usually end in disappointment. The Red Sox are masters at it and this year will probably be no different. They'll be in contention into September, but will likely fall short again in the extremely tough A.L. East. But watch out for the Tigers. With possibly the best up-the-middle strength in baseball (Lance Parrish, Lou Whitaker, Alan Trammell and Kirk Gibson), they may only need a stopper in the bullpen to take it all.

Can the Bruins win the Cup?

Yes, and it will very possibly be decided in the Wales Conference finals between the Bruins and the Philadelphia Flyers, which would be a renewal of the heated rivalry of the middle 70's when it was Bobby Orr and Phil Esposito vs. Dave Schultz, Don Saleski and the Flyer Goon Platoon. Keep one thing in mind. If Pete Peeters keeps playing as well as he has been (a difficult but not impossible task) no one will touch the Bruins.

That concludes our lesson for today.

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Ladies leg it

By MARTY KELLY
Sports Staff

The Holy Cross women's indoor track team traveled to Harvard for a meet last Sunday and returned to the hill with a slew of impressive performances, which included both individual and school records.

The meet, sponsored by the Greater Boston Track Club, attracted runners from other colleges, such as Connecticut, as well as top-flight independent amateurs like Joan Benoit. "The high quality of the field," explained Coach Al Halper, "is the reason why, while many of the girls set personal or school records, they did not place near the top."

One Crusader who did win her race was Julie LeClair '86. Her time of 10:40.18 for the 2 mile was a Holy Cross record for the event. Margaret Osterman '86 turned in another outstanding performance as she set a school record in the 880m race with a time of 2:16.27.

Senior Jackie McNiff continues to set and break records for the Crusaders. Her 4:55.7 showing in the mile race broke the previous school record she had held.

The two mile proved a strong event for Holy Cross, as many Crusader runners set personal bests. Mary Schiavone '85, Laura Linnehan '86, and Maura LeClair '85 all recorded excellent times.

Even more school records were set as sophomore Joanne Misiuk ran the 220 meter race in 27.5 seconds.

The mile was a vehicle of the return of Susan Willis '85, returning from an injury. Her time of 5:08.4 was not a personal best, but Halper was happy nonetheless. "Susan ran really well in that race. It was very encouraging that she has come off her injury so well."

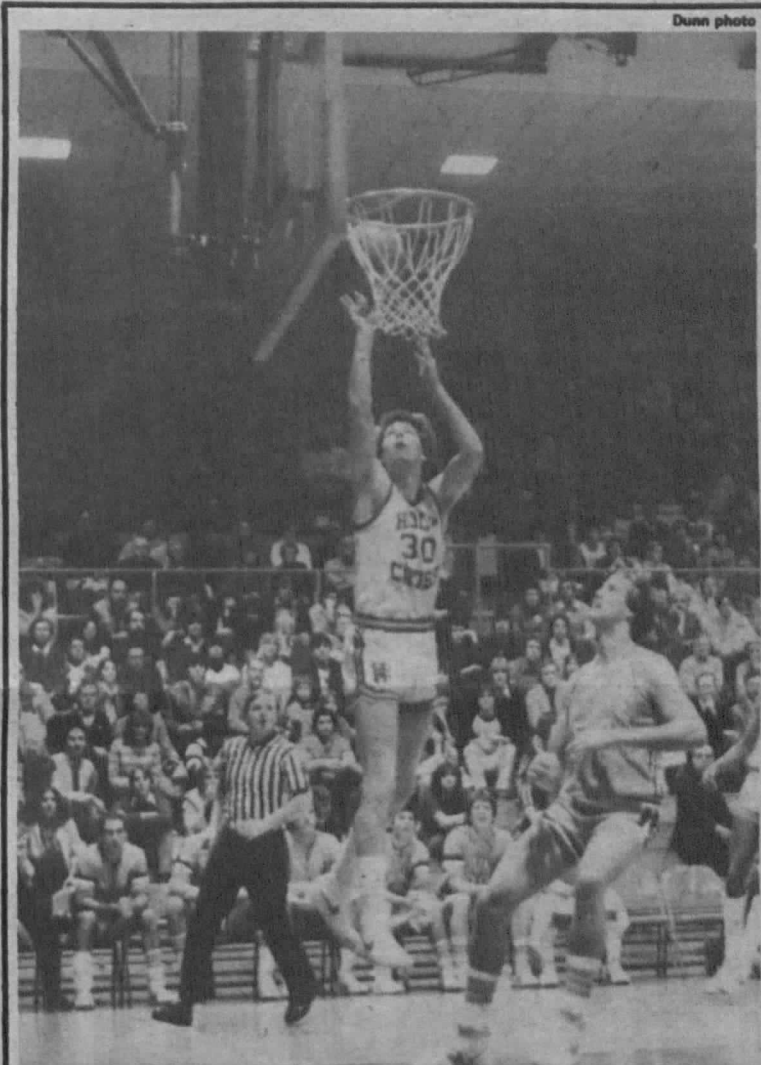
Halper also noted the strong placing of sophomore Kathy Mahoney in the long jump. Her leap of 17'3" earned her third place overall.

Maureen Ferns '84, always a strong high jumper, proved that Sunday as her jump earned her second place overall.

Halper was very pleased with his team's individual performances. "This meet was one of our target dates. We worked out hard previous to this event and the results point that out." He said that the team is right where it wants to be as far as its training schedule goes.

What is the next "target date?" "It has to be the New England Championships, which come up in three weeks. At the rate the team is going, I think we're going to fare well," Halper concluded.

The team will be back on campus Sunday in their own Holy Cross Crusader Invitational at 10:00 a.m. in the fieldhouse.



Senior captain Chris Logan (30) swoops in for two in Holy Cross' overtime victory against Maine last Thursday. For his efforts, Logan was named ECAC North Atlantic Conference player of the week. The Crusader bellwether will lead his teammates into the Centrum tomorrow night against John Garbis, Michael Adams and the rest of the arch-rival Boston College Eagles at 7:30.



"See Father, I told you that competitive athletics and academic standards can mix."

Post-Godbolt Crusaders falling on hard times

By KEITH RYZEWICZ
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Don't worry if the horses are blind, just load up the wagon.

That's one of John Madden's favorite proverbs, but no one knows what it means, including Madden himself. If it ever applied to any team however, it applies to the Holy Cross basketball team at the present time.

Things are not going well for the Crusaders in the post-Champ Godbolt era.

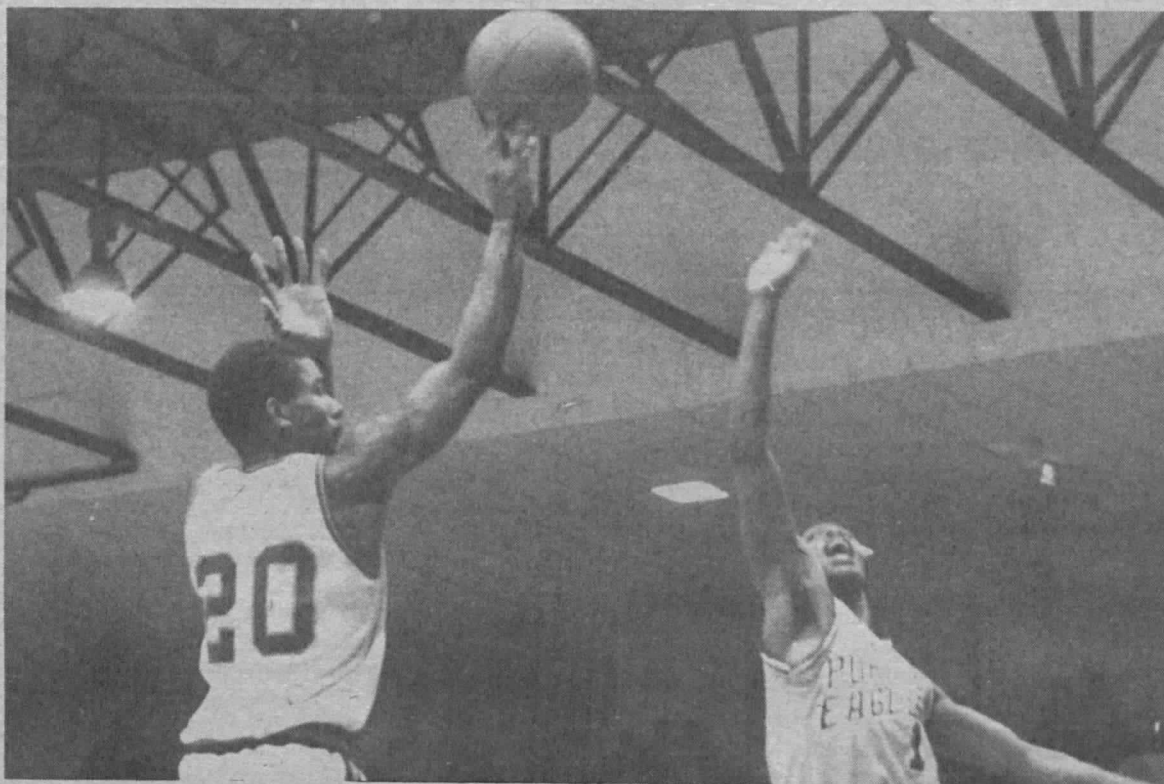
They continue to perform like a rudderless ship, having lost four of their last five, including two tough losses this week to Army and to Niagara 79-78 in overtime on Tuesday night.

Godbolt's absence continues to be felt particularly down the stretch, when the game is on the line. Champ was the man who wanted the ball in gut-check time earlier in the season, and more often than not, he got the job done.

But since his departure, no one has stepped forward to fill the role. Senior captain Chris Logan is certainly capable of handling that kind of situation, but when the zones are being packed in late in the game, it becomes extremely difficult to get the ball inside.

Sophomore Jim Runcie is the likely guard to take charge, and he has been showing signs lately that he can handle it. But, thus far, it's been a story of the Crusaders "loading up the wagon" but losing their sense of direction when they most need it.

This week's games were prime examples. Against Army on Saturday night, the Crusaders extended a



Sophomore guard Larry Westbrook (20) skies to a jumper against Niagara on Tuesday night. Holy Cross lost 79-78 in overtime despite a great second-half comeback led by Westbrook.

six-point halftime lead (37-31) to a second-half high of 12 points at 52-40 on a jump shot by Runcie (17 points) with a little over 14 minutes left.

The Cadets fought back, however, going on a 21-9 spurt, including eight straight points by Randy Cozzens, which gained them a tie at 61-61 with seven minutes left.

The teams traded baskets back and forth, with Holy Cross gaining their last tie at 67-67 on a Logan jumper with 2:24 remaining. But on Army's next possession, center

Kenny Schwartz hit on a huge three-point play which, for all intents and purposes, won it for the Cadets.

The Crusaders returned home on Tuesday night to entertain Niagara. They were anything but entertaining to their guests in the first half, however, as Junior forward Pat Elzie's 12 points and Runcie's 11 propelled HC to a 35-32 halftime lead despite 42% shooting from the field.

At the beginning of the second half, Holy Cross did their best imitation of a barrel going over the Falls, watching the Purple Eagles rush by

on a 23-8 run that resulted in a 55-43 Niagara lead midway through the stanza.

The Crusaders' shooting had gone ice cold, which was not helped by the continued mysterious shooting slump of Darren Maloney '84, who shot only 1 for 5 from the field for two points in ten rather unproductive minutes off the bench.

It was time for the cavalry, which came in the form of sophomore guard Larry Westbrook. The former starter came off the bench for nine second half points, leading an HC

surge that finally got them a lead of 68-67 with 53 seconds left when Logan, who finished the game with 16 points and 9 rebounds, hit a 15-footer.

Ironically, possible hero Westbrook turned into a goat of sorts when with 19 seconds remaining, he had a chance to ice the game with two foul shots that would have given HC a three-point lead.

But, c'est la vie, the speedster could only hit one, and Niagara's Mike Curran scored to send the game into overtime.

Westbrook's troubles from the line continued in the extra period. With 13 seconds on the clock, he went to the line for a one-and-one with Holy Cross up by one. He missed the first and Reed Watts, who had only four points in the game, won the game with a baseline swish at the buzzer.

The loss had a devastating effect on the players, who seemed rather subdued and distraught in the locker room after the contest.

They will need to snap out of it quickly, however, because Boston College is in town for a 7:30 game tomorrow night at the Centrum. The Eagles are having a surprisingly strong season, despite losing John Bagley to hardship.

They are led by center John Garris, who is averaging around 19 points a game, and the diminutive, exciting, and unpredictable waterbug guard, Michael Adams. BC has already upset national powers St. John's and Villanova, and nearly defeated Georgetown, all at the Roberts Center.

Needless to say, a win for Holy Cross here would do wonders for fans and players alike.

Women win two

Swimmers end drought

By EDWARD WROBLEWSKI
Sports Staff

"Great, fellas, just great!" beamed Coach Paul Parenteau after last Thursday night's 71-41 drowning of Brandeis. The Holy Cross victory snapped a long streak that made the men's swimming team the most consistent in recent Crusader history; seven years without a win. With the addition of a home swimming pool, this victory will surely mark the end of a losing tradition.

The team managed to open up a quick lead with the medley relay team of Rene Leveckis '86, Jim Dobkowski '86, Jim Ronan '83, and Paul Lynch '84. The team never trailed throughout the meet.

Ronan and Captain Mike Hettinger '83, both from Marblehead, MA, placed first and third respectively in the grueling 200 meter butterfly. Ronan had a time of 2:32.12 and Hettinger came in at 2:48.26. Hettinger shaved 20 seconds from his previous time and performed well in the 200m breaststroke, grabbing a first in what amounted to a Holy Cross sweep of the event. Bob Magner '84 came from behind to gain a second place while Scott Letourneau '86 took third.

Ronan was barely touched out in the 50m freestyle, coming in at a time of 23:59 seconds. Senior David Renaud provided an excellent example of the results of Parenteau's physical training techniques, winning firsts in the 200 individual medley and the 500m free, barely beating promising freshman John Molloy in the latter.

Holy Cross also performed well in what has traditionally been a Crusader no-show. HC divers Fred Martin '85 and Kevin Stenstrom '85 earned first and third respectively in the one meter diving event, Martin with 173.25 and Stenstrom with 133.2 points. Martin then almost

did the impossible by narrowly missing first place in the three meter diving event without prior experience.

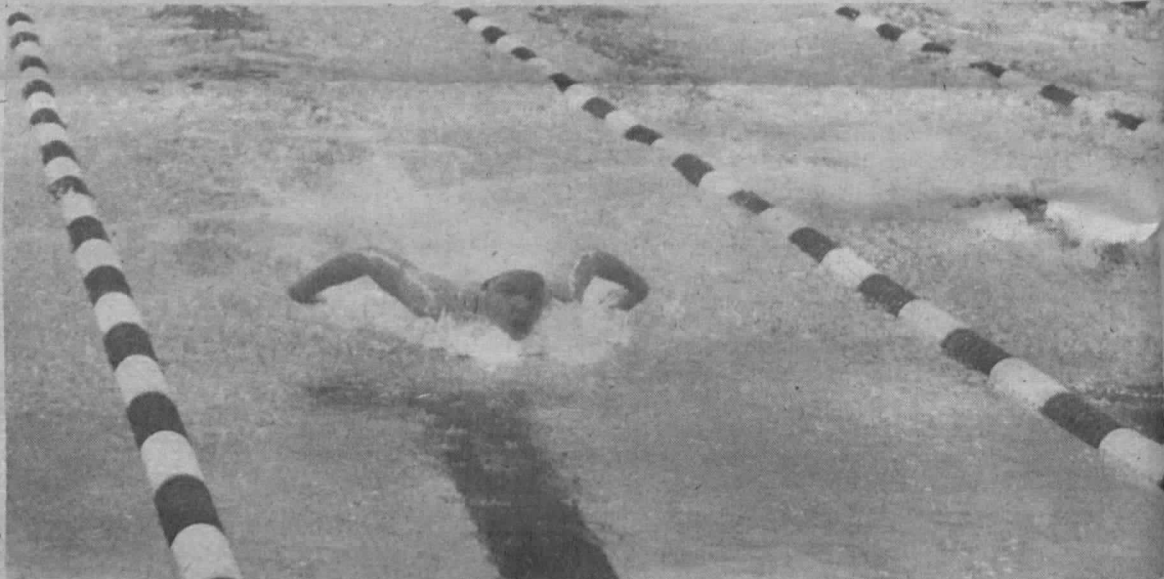
Freshman John Molloy cruised to an easy win in the 1000m freestyle, while Dobkowski placed first in the 200m backstroke with a time of 2:22.01.

Lynch provided the swim of the meet in anchoring the freestyle relay team of Leveckis, Renaud, Molloy, and himself. On the final leg of the relay, he edged his opponent, who had defeated him earlier in the meet, touching in a time of 3:39.09 in front of Brandeis' time of 3:39.38.

Pandemonium reigned when the results were known, but the team refrained from tossing their coach into the water to celebrate the win. However, they still have a couple more chances to do so. There will be a swim meet against the Holy Cross alumni tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. in the Hart Center and they cap off their season with a home meet against Bridgewater State on Friday, Feb. 18 at 5:00 p.m.

The Lady Sadlers, in the meantime, were adding two wins to their slate, including an 84-54 victory over the University of Lowell last Tuesday. Freshman Patty Keane was a double winner, taking both the one meter required and the one meter optional diving events. Marie Kenny '85 set a new school record in the 200 meter individual medley with a time of 2:23.64. This victory put Kenny in the top 12 in New England in four events.

"We hope to send five swimmers and one diver to the New England," commented Head Coach Barry Parenteau. The New England will be held on Feb. 25-27 at Springfield. The ladies next home meet will be on Feb. 15 against Salem State and they too will close out the season at home against Bridgewater State on Feb. 18.



Marie Kenny '85 splashes through the water on her way to a new school record in the 200 meter individual medley.

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This Weekend

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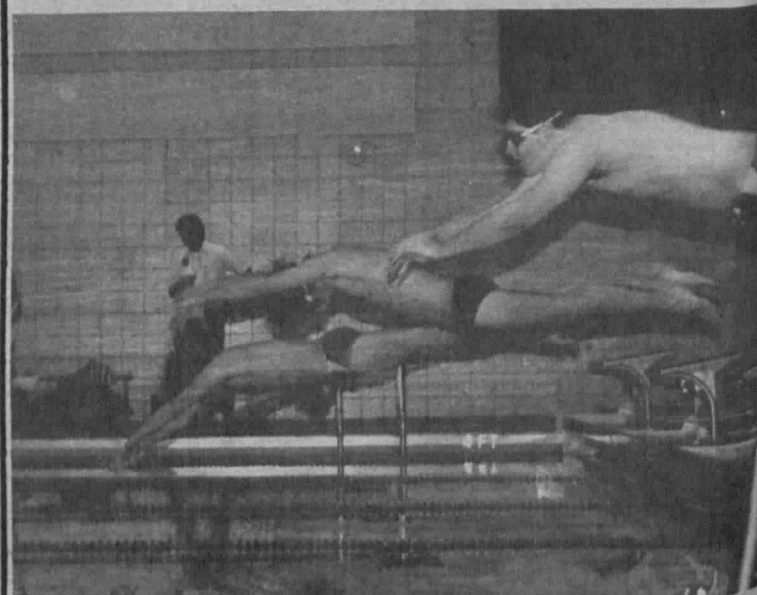
—Sat. Alumni Swim Meet in
the Hart Center

Hockey vs. ULowell,
1:00 p.m., Hart Center

Men's Basketball vs
BC, 7:30 p.m. at the
Centrum

—Sun. Women's Track Cru-
sader Invitational,
10:00 a.m., Fieldhouse

Crusaders of the Week



Here we go again. Last week, Cru of the Week honors went to the women's swimming team for their first win in five years. But that was nothing compared to this week's winners, the men's swimming team, who shocked the sporting world by winning their first meet in seven, count 'em SEVEN years. Isn't success wonderful?